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FALLING GLASS INJURES GIRL IN NIGHTCLUB

Police arrest two after panel plummets onto crowded dancefloor in one of city's most popular night spots

A GIRL was left with a fractured skull after a glass panel plummeted 14 feet on to the dance floor at Chill nightclub in Canterbury.

Florence Hollands, 20, was one of four people injured in the early hours of Saturday morning when a panel came loose from the balcony and crashed down into the club.

She was first taken to the William Harvey hospital in Ashford and was then transferred to a specialist unit at King's College Hospital in London.

Tim Bennett, Miss Hollands's

EXCLUSIVE

BY JENNY ARMSTRONG

boyfriend of 10 months, said: "She sounds alright and she looks okay, but the doctors are worried because the skull fracture is very close to her brain.

"I am angry at the club. But to be honest I couldn't really care less about the club, I care more about my girlfriend.

"When I found out I was worried and upset. I've been to see her and

she's all right. She's had a lot of visitors."

An 18-year-old man was also taken to the William Harvey Hospital in Ashford to have treatment for a cut to his head, and was released later on Saturday.

Two other people had a lucky escape with minor cuts and bruises, and were not taken to hospital.

Police were called to Chill at 1.45am and arrested two men who were on the balcony area while they investigated what happened.

But the 24-year-old from Canterbury and the 23-year-old from

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CONVICTED PIMP WAS CAB DRIVER

Shocked former colleagues of ex-teacher and pimp Timothy Blake-Bowell talk about his seedy private life. It follows his conviction last week for running a brothel while working as a cab driver for two years, despite authorities knowing he was being investigated for prostitution offences.

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Neighbours' concerns over frozen food store

■ BY JENNY ARMSTRONG

WHITSTABLE'S woes over Woolworths are far from over as the planned replacement is already causing controversy in nearby Herne Bay.

Iceland's noisy cooling fans installed without planning permission in the new Herne Bay branch have brought complaints from the store's neighbours.

A council spokesman said: "The shop has now turned down the fan to reduce the noise. Iceland has also submitted a retrospective planning application for the unit."

In Whitstable, neighbours have expressed concern that air conditioning units and freezers at the new store will be equally disruptive.

They also fear Iceland will have more delivery lorries blocking drive-ways in their narrow road.

Christian and Christina Brewer, who live right next to the site, are particularly worried.

Mr Brewer said: "We object to the additional noise levels industrial air conditioning and refrigeration units will make so close plus additional lorry traffic on such a narrow road."

The Brewers had an arrangement with Woolworths that their twice-weekly delivery truck would not



Picture: PENNY NAWES

CONTROVERSIAL: The former Woolworth's site, which is to be taken over by Iceland

arrive before 7am.

Mr Brewer said: "With Iceland the lorry traffic will increase and lorries will park across our gate."

Chris West, Herne Bay and Whitstable town manager, said: "I don't think there will be a problem with lorries – it hasn't been the case with the new Iceland in Herne Bay."

"I'm sure they will adapt their deliveries so as not to be a nuisance."

"As far as the noise is concerned, they do have compressors fitted to

their extractor fans which are supposed to silence them."

An Iceland spokesperson said: "Any external plant will comply with the relevant British standards on acceptable noise levels, but we will review each store on opening."

Iceland was a cause of contention earlier in the year when it transpired parts of Whitstable High Street would have to be taken up to lay new cables for the power-hungry store.

Love police monitor mating pine martens

BRITAIN'S most dangerous and energetic lovers are under surveillance at Wildwood.

The fiercely territorial pine martens, a protected species in the UK, are subject to a 24-hour love patrol, to make sure they play fair during the mating season.

The creatures are very territorial, and even attack potential mates. This behaviour is exacerbated in captivity.

Conservationists at the park, Wildwood, have created a 'tunnel of love' to help the martens to breed.

The love patrol is necessary to stop

the pairs from fighting. They can be separated with sliding panels.

Despite their violent tendencies, pine martens are very enthusiastic procreators – they mate three or four times a day for up to two hours at a time.

The tunnel winds around the enclosures of a male and a female, and this is the fourth year it has been used. Two baby pine martens resulted from last year's efforts.

The animals, which are about the size of a small cat, are members of the weasel family.



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Convicted pimp was teacher and cabbie

■ BY JENNY ARMSTRONG

JAILED pimp Tim Blake-Bowell worked as taxi-driver in Canterbury for the last two years after being granted a licence by the council.

Blake-Bowell, 47, of Querns Road, used to teach at King Ethelbert School in Birchington, and was convicted last week of controlling prostitutes for financial gain, along with his ex-wife Emma.

He had been working for the firm Cabco Canterbury as a private hire driver, meaning he could only take passengers who had pre-ordered a taxi.

A driver who works at the firm said: "He didn't say what he was doing as such, but we all thought he was a male whore."

"These poor teachers, they say they're underpaid, which I think they are to sit in a room with little s**s that don't want to be there, but you wouldn't go out and prostitute yourself for a couple of hundred quid, would you?"

Blake-Bowell became a licensed cab driver soon after the investigation into his prostitution racket began.

The driver, who did not wish to be named, said: "He did work hard; as a driver we never had any problems with him at all. But we all knew he was up to something on the side."

"He told me he advertised his massages on gay websites because it brought in more business, but he said he never gave them any extras. I thought 'yeah right'."



Picture: PHIL HOUGHTON

TEACHER: King Ethelbert School, Birchington, where Tim Blake-Bowell – jailed last week – had worked as a PE teacher

According to the taxi firm's owner, Robert Jones, the company was aware of the investigation before employing him and made sure to keep an eye on their new recruit.

Mr Jones, whose company operates from Dover Street, said his business has the technology to track his employees' taxis, some of which have CCTV in them.

Mr Jones also said he made sure Mr Blake-Bowell was not given jobs involving lone women or children.

He said: "He was pretty straight as a driver. He knew we were monitoring him. As a person, he was a nice enough guy."

Although Mr Blake-Powell was under investigation when he applied for his licence, the council said it was powerless to prevent it from being granted.

A council spokesman said: "Mr Blake-Bowell was given an enhanced Criminal Records Bureau check when he first applied for a licence two years ago."

"It did not pick anything up, no previous convictions, nothing, so there was no reason not to issue him with a licence."

But the convicted felon will not be able to drive a taxi again for a long time – he cannot re-apply for a licence for at least five years.

Swine flu case at grammar school

SWINE flu has struck a pupil at the Simon Langton Girls' Grammar School.

The school has said there is only one confirmed case and letters were sent home to parents on Wednesday, July 8.

There are no plans to close the school before term ends on Friday, July 17.

A spokesman said: "We are following standard procedures and it is all under control. We have sent letters home and there is also information on the website."

The school has not told pupils and teachers which year group or class the infected girl is in.

Andrew Scott-Clark, eastern and coastal Kent NHS's deputy director of public health, said: "We are now unable to give the exact number of cases of swine flu in Kent as the containment phase is over and swabbing has finished."

"We want to reassure the public that we have robust plans in place."

"People should not go to accident and emergency departments, minor injury departments or their doctor if they suspect they have swine flu, but should phone their GP."

Organisers happy at Lounge event

SECURITY staff at Lounge on the Farm called police to arrest a man on suspicion of drug offences.

The 25-year-old was arrested at Merton Farm off Nackington Road, Canterbury. He was questioned and released on bail until August 21.

Keys were stolen from a tent over the weekend, and a purse was also stolen from a handbag.

Police received 12 complaints about noise from the festival. This is now being dealt with by the council.

Safety officers investigate club injuries

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Ashford were later released without charge, and are no longer being investigated by police.

Yet the club blames the two men for what happened.

A spokesperson for Chill said: "A glass panel was forced free from the balcony by two males who were consequently arrested by police."

"The safety of customers is of paramount importance at Chill and specialists were called to repair the balcony panel."

"Representatives from the local health and safety authority have confirmed that they are happy with both our procedures undertaken on the evening and the state of our repairs."

But according to a friend of Miss Hollands, one of the men in question is her brother, and both are distraught at what had happened, which they say was caused by the panel being improperly attached.

They say the family may be taking legal action against the club.

A council spokesman said: "A health and safety officer went to the site on Monday. We are happy with the steps the club have taken so far and will be in contact with them."

Man arrested for attack recognised as sex shop thief

WHEN Terry Thurling was pulled in for attacking a store detective an alert police officer noticed he'd been stealing sex aids from Canterbury's Anne Summers shop.

Thurling, 27, of Rutland Gardens, Margate, was filmed stealing vibrators worth £323 from the shop in Whitefriars.

Canterbury magistrates heard the convicted thief violated his parole in the process.

Jody Tyman, prosecuting, said Thurling was arrested after he stole children's clothes, razor blades and perfume worth £268.81 on June 30.

Three days previously he had stolen sex aids from the adult shop.

She said Thurling was caught when the security guard at Boots, in Wincheap, saw him putting items into a holdall.

When the guard asked him to stop, Thurling lunged at him with a pair of pliers he was carrying.

Thurling ran away and hid in

some bushes, where he was caught.

It was while he was in custody at Canterbury Police station that an officer investigating the vibrator theft recognised him from CCTV film.

The sex aids were never recovered and wouldn't be suitable for resale anyway, Mrs Tyman said.

Thurling admitted assault and the theft from Boots, and asked for the theft from Anne Summers to be taken into consideration.

Anton Walden, defending, said Thurling was homeless and hungry, so he sold the vibrators to buy food. Three days later, still hungry, he went into Boots.

Mr Walden claimed Thurling was on his way to return the goods when he was grabbed.

Thurling was ordered to return to prison to serve 33 days from a previous sentence and was jailed for a further 120 days for assault and shoplifting.

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Stars lined up to appear at international festival

TOP names in music, theatre, comedy, arts and literature will flock to Canterbury for this year's international festival.

The highlights of the line-up in October will include appearances by comedian and impressionist Alistair McGowan, folk star Cara Dillon, Poet Laureate Carol Ann Duffy, adventurer Charley Boorman, broadcaster Joan Bakewell, food critic Michael Winner and intimate theatrical experience, The Caravan. Full festival listings will be made available from July 20, in free brochures and at www.canterburyfestival.co.uk.

The Canterbury Festival runs at various venues from October 17 to 31.



Tyre team tread carefully to raise cash for charity

A TYRE fitter has raised more than £2,000 for a breast cancer charity.

He raised the money by checking hundreds of motorists' tyres to help them make sure they were not using illegal ones.

Dave Anderson, manager of HiQ in Wincheap, Canterbury, raised the money for Breast Cancer Care at the Goodwood Festival of Speed.

He and a team of tyre fitters checked hundreds of tyres in return for donations to HiQ's 2009 charity. Mr Anderson said: "We would like to thank everyone for their generosity."

Young actors invited to audition for stage school

ASPIRING actors are being offered the chance to train with professionals at the new Star Performers Academy.

The producers of the Marlowe Theatre pantomimes are opening a school for performing arts in Canterbury.

Paul Hendy and Emily Wood are looking for young people aged between eight and 18. Auditions are at Beauherne Primary School in Knight Avenue, Canterbury, on Saturday. For details go to www.star-performers.co.uk or call 01304 615333.

Cathedral gives up its hidden spaces

■ BY JENNY ARMSTRONG

CANTERBURY Cathedral is a well-known British landmark, but few get to see its upper rooms and passageways with their hidden secrets.

In this feature we explore the unseen cathedral – inside the roof-spaces and towers which reveal the true structure and extraordinary genius of our most famous historic building.



The North Nave Roof Space

After walking through a door in the Martyrdom, where St Thomas Becket was murdered, and climbing a spiral staircase walled with limestone, we turned down a narrow passageway. At the end is a tiny opening leading to this glorious yet neglected space.

Above the north aisle, the lumps in the dusty floor are the arches which hold up the stone vaults so magnificent from below.

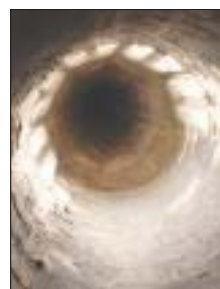
They are entirely self-supporting, with only a 15th Century beamed roof to keep the rain out. In some parts of the cathedral this is failing, causing leaks into the roof space.

The North West Transept Staircase and Roof

As we climb the spiral staircase, more holes appear between the Kentish ragstone steps.

Less public bits of the cathedral bearing the brunt of wear.

Stone mason Darren McCulloch, Smith, my guide on this unusual tour, said: "We had to put



a canopy over the north-west door because of falling masonry, which was possibly due to the extremely hot weather we have had."

But bad repairs have a big part to play too.

He said: "Most of what we replace is Victorian because of poor quality Caen stone and hard mortar, which doesn't let the stone expand and contract."

North-West Transept Roof Space



At the top of the staircase we come to the roof space above the Martyrdom. This room was built in the late 14th Century on existing Norman walls. The timbers date from the 14th Century but then, Chris McWilliams from the Save Canterbury Cathedral Appeal tells me, a timber was recently found in another part of the cathedral dating from 1080.

The back wall of this room still shows some of the original Norman decoration.

Bell Harry Wheel Room

We go through a metal door and out into the Square – the gallery which runs inside the central Bell Harry tower.

Through another door and up a staircase is the huge, magnificent centre of the tower.

Bell Harry was built in the mid-1400s, mainly out of brick – apparently one of the earliest uses of brickwork in the country.

The gigantic wheel, used to bring stone up the tower, is probably not original.

The Lower Bell Harry Room

Down a trapdoor and a narrow ladder we come to much brighter space (main picture). We have to watch where we stand as rotten floorboards give way to stone vaulting. We are above the ornate roof in the middle of the cathedral.

A circular plug in the middle of the floor turns out to be the beautifully painted boss in the middle of the ceiling. It seems best not to stand on it. Behind it is the heavier original now stuck in this space as it is too big to remove. It is still attached to the 1470s beam that took it out.



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Oyster festival's TV role to draw in more visitors

■ BY JENNA PUDELEK

WHITSTABLE played a starring role in the current series of perennially popular BBC2 show *Coast* last night.

The Bafta award-winning programme began the series at the Whitstable Oyster Festival, with an episode filmed last year.

Coast presenter Nicholas Crane told Yourcanterbury ahead of filming the new series that towns previously visited by the programme had enjoyed a boost in tourism.

After sampling the festivities in the picturesque town, co-presenter Neil Oliver headed offshore to the Red Sands Sea Forts.

The Thames Estuary forts, which were built as air defences during the Second World War, can be accessed from Northfleet.

Civil engineer Guy Maunsell designed the offshore defences and although his ideas were seen as eccentric at the time, by 1942 four forts, which each housed around 120 men, had been built and were operational.

The armed forts were used by the Navy to deter and report on the Germans who were trying to lay mines in the busy shipping lanes using aircraft.

During the Sixties, Screaming Lord Sutch set up Radio Sutch in one of the towers. The station was later sold to Reginald Calvert, who ran Radio City from the fort, until he was shot in a dispute over the station's ownership.

Presenter Mr Oliver said: "Making Coast has been a life-changing experience for me. I love Britain – it's beautiful, fascinating; a culturally, linguistically, historically-rich country."

"For the casual observer we tell enough about any given story that it's a complete story, in a nutshell. But it is enough information to inspire some people to go off and find out more on their own."

In Dover, presenter Alice Roberts re-lived the glamour days of the hovercraft crossing to France during the 1960s.

She learned how to fly a hovercraft and discovered how an experiment with kitchen scales and a hairdryer led to their invention.

The programme boasts 3.5 million viewers and tourism bosses will no doubt be hoping it will give a boost to the Kent coast, and particularly to the Whitstable Oyster Festival,



TV ROLE: Presenter Nicholas Crane says towns featured in *Coast* have enjoyed a boost in tourism

which this year runs from July 18 to 25.

Mr Crane, who will be exploring the geology of the Isle of Wight and how the ice that cut the fjords of Norway also sculpted our landscape this series, told Yourcanterbury: "Anecdotally, people in the towns we've visited have always been very pleased about the attention they have received following the programme, but *Coast* is not a holiday show."

"It's a factual but entertaining look at Britain's coastline. There are hundreds of hours of work that go into each programme, and a lot is packed in to an hour of *Coast*."

The new *Coast* series is shown on BBC2 at 8pm on Tuesdays.

• Turn to page 28 and 29 for our guide to Whitstable Oyster Festival

Morris dancers get festivities started

MORRIS men from around the world will help kick off the Whitstable Oyster Festival, with bells on.

Whitstable's Dead Horse Morris is hosting a day of festivities on Saturday, July 18 – the first day of the festival.

Local Morris dancers Oyster are bringing another troupe from the United States – the Massachusetts Juggler Meadow Morris Men.

The Bishop Gundulfs, Wolf's Head and Vixen, Gong Scourers and Crouch Vale Morris dancers will also be performing.

The dancing will begin at Whitstable Harbour at 10am. The Morris troupes will then hold a music session in the back of the Ship Centurion pub, followed by more dancing at St Alphege's Church at 2pm and in the library square at 3pm.



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Boyfriend jailed for attack

A THUG who attacked his pregnant girlfriend in a park has been jailed for 150 days.

Kieran Lewis, 19, of Godwin Road, Thanington, was on bail for a previous assault on 18-year-old Samantha Evenden when he kicked her in the gardens in Castle Street, Canterbury.

Nine days earlier he attacked Samantha at their flat in Godwin Road. Jody Tyman, prosecuting at Canterbury Magistrates Court, said neighbours heard screaming.

An argument had flared and Lewis pinned Samantha to a sofa. She escaped and he pinned her to a bed, cutting her lip.

During the incident in Castle Street he tried to grab Samantha's keys before stamping on her leg. Samantha was nine weeks pregnant. In a statement she told the court she lived in fear of Lewis.

Lewis admitted both assaults and was sent to a young offenders institution.

Drunken sailor gets fine

SEADOG Nicholas Smith was unable to do his 150 hours community service for refusing to take a breath test because he never knows which port he'll be in.

Smith, 53, of Sunbeam Avenue, Herne Bay was hit with a £500 fine by Canterbury magistrates instead.

At a previous hearing he received a 44 month driving ban after he refused the test when stopped in Avenue Road, Herne Bay.

Smith skips a small trawler operating out of Whitstable and goes where the fish take him, the court was told.

On top of the fine Smith had to pay £15 victim surcharge.

Rare butterflies thriving

A BUTTERFLY colony of the rare heath fritillary variety is doing very well in the Blean nature reserve.

The number of the protected species has grown in the reserve near Canterbury from just six in 2006 to 1,300 this year.

Marsh fritillary butterfly numbers are declining in almost every European country and the species is extinct in parts of Belgium.

The UK is one of the European strongholds for the species, but it has disappeared from most of eastern England and Scotland.

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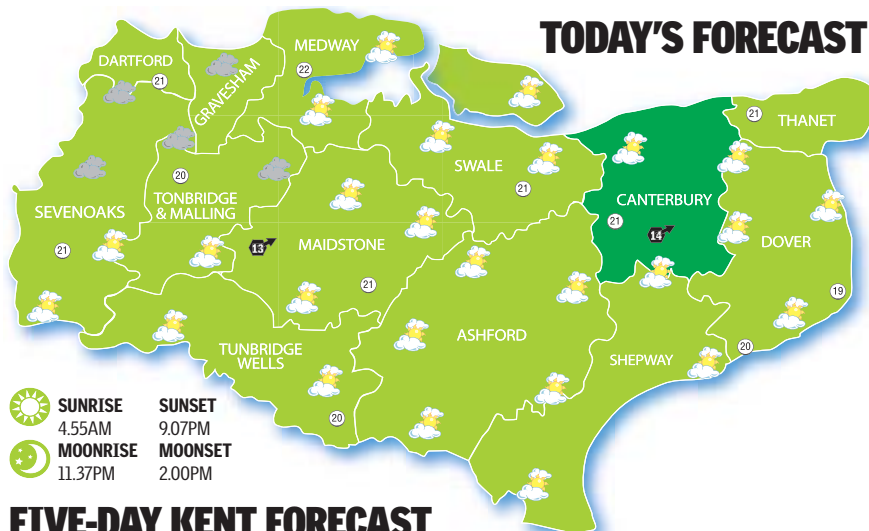
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Dover	Saturday	7:43am	5.6m
	Sunday	9:00am	5.7m
Dungeness	Saturday	7:55am	6.2m
	Sunday	9:08am	6.4m
Ramsgate	Saturday	8:13am	4.2m
	Sunday	9:30am	4.3m
Sheerness	Saturday	9:17am	4.9m
	Sunday	10:30am	5.1m
Whitstable	Saturday	9:24am	4.6m
	Sunday	10:35am	4.7m



AROUND THE WORLD YESTERDAY

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Athens	30°C	New York	26°C
Barcelona	27°C	Paris	25°C
Beijing	25°C	Rome	28°C
Bombay	30°C	Sydney	17°C
Cape Town	13°C	Tenerife	26°C
Cardiff	18°C	Tokyo	32°C
Gibraltar	30°C	Vancouver	17°C
Hong Kong	32°C	Warsaw	22°C
Las Palmas	27°C	Wellington	8°C

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Canterbury	21°C	22°C	22°C	20°C	20°C	Maidstone	22°C	22°C	22°C	20°C	20°C
Chatham	21°C	21°C	21°C	19°C	20°C	Ramsgate	21°C	22°C	22°C	20°C	20°C
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Cathedral worker will climb mountains to raise needed funds

WILLIAM ROE is used to climbing the Bell Harry tower, but this week he will be climbing mountains to save the cathedral.

Mr Roe, Canterbury Cathedral's director of works, regularly climbs the 235 feet up the central bell tower to oversee vital conservation work.

But he will soon be grappling with a much higher challenge when he attempts to reach the summit of three of the four highest High Atlas Mountains in Africa.

The three mountains are Jbel Akioud, Jbel Ouanoukrim and Jbel Toubkal. They are all over 13,250ft, which is more than 56 times higher than the cathedral.

The 49-year-old is attempting the three peaks over ten days from July 14 along with nine sixth-formers from St Edmund's School, including his son, and teacher Robert Bacon.

Mr Roe said: "In my job I am spending other people's money, money that people have kindly donated, and I am trying to spend it as wisely as possible to get the job done."

"But since I started in this position two years ago I've wanted to do something myself for the appeal."

"In a way, it's a win-win situation for me - apart from the climbing bit, and the aching bit and all that sweating."

"It will be a courageous struggle for me as I overcome my fears and push my body to extremes I haven't experienced since winning the egg and spoon race for six to seven year olds at the Lilley village fete in 1967."

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Q Which is better, the International Baccalaureate (IB) or A Levels?

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IB students choose their option subjects as well as continuing with the study of humanities, language, maths, and science. As a result, they leave school with a wider range of proficiencies that will help them in the world. In addition, many of our students volunteer in local primary schools for the service part of the IB. These experiences bring profound insights about their role as individuals making a positive contribution to a community.

Whilst A Levels are valuable, I consider the IB to be more holistic educationally, as well as demanding very high academic standards.

Q What do you think of teacher's licenses?

A Of course, it is very important to have teachers that are effective in teaching! This is why there are regular inspections of schools, and why local education authorities monitor a school's progress carefully. Internally, each teacher undergoes yearly performance management. I am a teaching union representative, and there are procedures followed if a teacher is not maintaining teaching standards, which can result in dismissal. So, I am not totally convinced that we need to invest in another assessment process.

Q What do you think of government plans to make school give struggling pupils one-on-one tuition?

A I know many teachers who make time at lunchtimes, after school, and in holiday time, to work with students who are struggling to achieve.

For students with emotional or academic challenges, there will be times when being part of class of 30 for every lesson will not meet their needs. If we can use capable tutors to support struggling students, building up their skills and self-confidence, then we are investing in their future – and that's what education is about, isn't it?

Q Should school pupils lower their aspirations in times like these?

A A high majority of our students progress to further education. The courses they choose will mostly be career-oriented, but many will not take part in the world of full-time work for a few years.

I cannot predict the changes to come in the workplace in the next 20 years. Specialisms are important, and training for a specific career is still of great value, but it is important to be able to adapt one's skills to take advantage of a range of opportunities.

Q Barton Court was recently described as 'outstanding' in an inspection. What is behind that?

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rewarding to watch their development as genuinely thoughtful, dedicated as well as fun young people. We are a team of very hard working staff who are committed to the well-being of our students.

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Q What do you enjoy about teaching?

A I am head of religious studies and also deal with personal development, citizenship and careers. My lessons range from ideas about life and death; world faiths; and the awareness of self and the wider world. It's never boring to be in the classroom exploring the world with students.

Being a teacher can be very rewarding – a student I have taught for seven years came to see me today to express her thanks for the support I had given her.

There's a moment when a student's face changes – the penny drops – and I am reminded that I am helping to enable tomorrow's adults, parents and decision-makers. I enjoy the feeling of satisfaction that, at the end of the lesson, the students are thinking and asking questions, eager to find out more, and I can say to them "that's what we are going to look at next lesson!"

Q & A

Reporter **Jenny Armstrong** talks to Barton Court teacher Mina Cullimore about teachers' licenses, the International Baccalaureat and how young people are changing their aspirations with the recession

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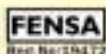
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Experts baffled by speed camera revenue drop-off

■ BY EMILY HALL

THE number of speeding drivers caught by cameras has dropped by nearly two-thirds in a year, latest figures show.

The surprise drop has baffled road safety experts, but has been put down to a combination of drivers getting used to the cameras and the popularity of sat nav systems.

However, critics say the figures mean nothing if they don't coincide with a reduction in the number of accidents, deaths and injuries.

New statistics show that last year 22,701 drivers were clocked exceeding the speed limit by Gatso cameras and roadside vans – 34,833 fewer than the year before.

"This is a huge drop," said Katherine Barrett of the Kent and Medway Safety Camera Partnership. "We think people are becoming more tolerant of cameras and more aware of where they are."

"We put signs up to warn motorists, have a ten per cent plus 2mph tolerance level and publish all the locations on the website, so there isn't really an excuse."

"Hopefully people are accepting that cameras are now a permanent safety feature on the roads and not there as revenue raisers."

Since the partnership was formed in 2002, 394,189 drivers have been snapped breaking speed limits at 75 fixed camera sites.

The fixed penalty notices handed out last year represent £1.3 million in revenue for the Government – a huge drop on the £3.4m made in 2007.

Speeding peaked in 2004 when 82,906 people were

caught, making £5m. Every driver has to pay at least a £60 fine and gets three points on their licence.

Terry Hudson, area organiser for the Association of British Drivers, said: "This looks good on paper but have the rates of accidents, deaths and injuries gone down, too?"

"Cameras have their uses in some places but I don't think they should be used to judge whether somebody is a good or bad driver. It's about speeding in the wrong places."

"Perhaps the reduction in tickets is due to the downturn in the economy and people using cars less. I think drivers are also more aware of the fines they will have to pay if they are caught."

Road safety campaigner Caroline Hobbs, whose eight-year-old daughter Jade and mother Margaret Kuwertz, 79, were killed while trying to cross the A249 at Detling, near Maidstone, in 2000, gave a cautious welcome to the reduction.

"If these figures show cameras are reducing accidents, that's great," she said. "But if it just means a reduction in the number of drivers getting ticketed, then it makes no odds."

"Most people who drive on the A249 are used to the camera being there and slow down, and that could be the case at other sites. And lot of people have sat nav systems now, especially if they do a lot of driving, and they can warn motorists about cameras."

"I'd put this down to people knowing where the cameras are and having better technology to warn them, but even then it's a pretty amazing drop."

The partnership has also just released its latest crash figures, which show the number of people killed or seriously injured has reduced by 63 per cent since 2002.

"There's no getting around it, safety cameras are definitely having an impact on reducing casualties," Ms Barrett said.

Speeding tickets issued in last six years:

July-Dec 2002	26,549
2003	69,049
2004	82,906
2005	65,185
2006	70,265
2007	57,534



TO THE FORE: Dean Headley (left) and Peter Rodd with nurse Angela Padgham

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A ROUND of golf raised £2,000 for Pilgrims Hospices after 70 lawyers and staff from Kent firm Boys&Maughan played 27 holes at Princes Golf Club in Sandwich.

The fund-raiser was topped off by a dinner, charity raffle and auction – as well as an evening of anecdotes from former England pace bowler Dean Headley.

Pilgrims Hospices provide free palliative care, support for patients, families and their carers at three Kent sites – Thanet, Canterbury and Ashford.

Boys&Maughan partner Peter Rodd said: "Pilgrims Hospices have to raise £8 million each year, in order to keep delivering care to those who need it the most. We are delighted to do our bit in supporting such an excellent cause."

'No water shortage despite heatwave'

DESPITE the recent heatwave and predicted glorious summer, Kent is unlikely to see a hosepipe ban over coming months.

Environment Agency manager for Kent and East Sussex Andrew Pearce said the county had plenty of water in its reservoirs and ground water supply because of a wet winter – but we need to save.

He said: "In the South East we have the highest usage of water in the UK," he said. "If we can reduce it by 35 litres a day to 130 litres per person per day, then we can save £1.6 billion in not having to build reservoirs."



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They also offer advice on the top picks of the season, making sure you take away the best our county has to offer each month.

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On the savoury side, there are plenty of vegetables to be snapped up. Old favourites such as broad beans and garden peas are coming into season now, as are courgettes and bunched beetroot. For the true taste of home you should also

try new Kentish potatoes, fresh from the county's soil. For salad lovers, summer is a great time to stock up on the classics of celery, cucumber, French beans, lettuce, tomatoes and radishes.

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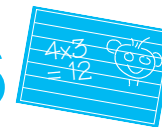
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Inspirational talk gives children hope



PARALYMPIC medal winner Alastair Mckean spoke at St Edmund's school with a message of determination.

Mr Mckean won a bronze medal in a coxed four in the 2008 games.

Speaking at the school's annual prize-giving ceremony, the rower explained how strong networks enabled him to overcome seemingly impossible odds to gain a global reputation as a sportsman.

The headmaster said: "Alastair's triumphs inspire children to accomplish success in every aspect of their life."

Girls learn skills for life at fun-filled career day

■ BY JENNY ARMSTRONG

IN a world where good careers advice is a must, Langton girls got ahead of the game when employers visited them at school last week.

Bosses spent the day with Year-10 pupils from the grammar school to teach them about career opportunities and what personal qualities and skills they need in the world of work.

Students found the day helped them make more informed decisions about jobs.

One girl said: "I know more about what different parts of jobs I like and dislike and what attributes are needed."

Another said: "I will consider keeping my options open as I have learned there are many different jobs."

The Canterbury pupils each went to two of the 11 workshops provided by employers such as Pfizer, Christ Church University and Kent School of Architecture.

There students listened to talks and participated in activities on organic chemistry, education management, occupational therapy, creativity and innovation in business, journalism, design, nursing, sign language, dance and architecture.

In the afternoon every group gave a presentation on what they had learned.

Many of the girls found the day very useful in deciding on their careers, and came away wanting to know more about their newly chosen path.

Girls from the creativity and innovation in business workshop staged a brief pilot for a



CAREER OPPORTUNITIES: Langton girls enjoy learning in their business and occupational therapy classes

fictional television comedy called 'The Secret Comedian'.

Pupils from the design workshop presented logos they created to promote the careers day.

And bosses were very happy with the girls on the day.

Paul Elliot, who ran the nursing workshop, said: "I have been most impressed with both groups that attended my sessions. In fact they were brilliant!"

And Tereza Neenan from the dance workshop said: "There was a good rapport among the pupils with a ready approach to interact. All the girls gained something."



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IS IT just me or are other people worried about the problems caused by membership of this wretched European Economic Community?

I recently accompanied my son to the Jobcentre as, despite having a degree, he is unable to find a job. As the clock ticked half an hour past our appointment time, I picked up some literature which was lying around on a nearby, cracked table.

In it, I noticed further copies of that leaflet, on how to claim benefits, available in 26 other languages and, if you did not speak one of those, translations were available whatever your language!

In other words, immigrants who are not even able to speak English have the Department of Work and Pensions bending over backwards to help them claim unemployment benefits you, I and other taxpayers fund? "But there aren't that many non-English speaking unemployed anyway" you might say? You are probably right. Most of them seem to

be employed in front-line "customer-service" positions by councils, banks and other institutions in an attempt to make it as difficult as possible for us to complain about anything.

I read the newspapers and note with interest the application of the Racial Equality Laws in this country. I smile when I hear about incidents which the Police would usually do nothing about, suddenly being taken extremely seriously if one of the involved plays the race card.

Local immigrant associations claim their members are singled out for abuse. Why are they so surprised? Their members choose to live in groups, wear different clothes, follow different religions, eat different foods and many can't even speak English.

They set themselves up as apart from everyone else in this country, and then complain they are treated differently. Whose fault is that?

What finally prompted me to write this rant has been the proliferation of 'UK Border Patrol' programmes on TV.

On these shows, on the rare occasions when officials catch would-be illegal immigrants try-

ing to get in or already in the country (and often working, taking the job my son so desperately needs!), they simply take their details and let them out on bail?

I would love to know how many known illegals have been caught, arrested, released and are currently at large again in the UK?

And if you think me a racist thug for my views and blame me and "others" like me for the recent successes of the BNP, you should know I am black – that is black, not "ethnically challenged" or of a "coloured persuasion" or any other of that politically correct rubbish!

I was born in India and emigrated to the UK many years ago. I consider myself British, as reflected in my speech, my integration with the my community, my willingness to obey English laws and, in all ways, to act British, not set myself apart!

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TALK TIME

SOPHIE GREENER

We talk to independent trader Sophie Greener, who runs boutique fashion store Armoire at 40 Palace Street Canterbury



Tell me a little bit about yourself.

I have lived all my life in Canterbury and in December 2007 I opened my ladies' boutique. The name Armoire is taken from the French style of wardrobe and with this in mind my boutique has taken on the feel of every girls dream bedroom, very cosy and very unique, selling unusual clothing.

Where did you first get the idea for your business?

When leaving school I was given the opportunity of being the manager of a ladies boutique called Entrada where I worked for ten years. While working there I learnt a great deal about the fashion industry and it took me to many places including Paris, Barcelona, Berlin and most importantly London for fashion shows. I learnt how to buy and what to look for when setting up a shop. So when Entrada decided to close I knew now was the right time to open my own boutique with this knowledge and the connections I had made.

How has the redevelopment of Palace Street transformed the area?

When setting up my boutique I knew I wanted to be in Palace Street surrounded by all the other small independent traders offering something a little different and individual. I love the feel of this area with its character and charm. The redevelopment I feel has put Palace Street back on the map. It is a very beautiful street with many historical buildings unusual shops and coffee shops and should not be forgotten.

YOUR LETTERS



Council are sitting down on the job

The story on page two last week is a good example of how ridiculous council red tape has become. The pensioners in Herne are asking for nothing more complicated than a seat. A seat is not a hard thing to come by. Most people would go down to the shops (B&Q have those 10 per cent off days I hear) and buy a bench.

Or call some builders and get them to make one. It would take a couple of days at the most.

Yet the story says the pensioners of Herne have been waiting over a year! What is their council actually doing on this?

Edward James, Herne Bay

Potential danger is hard to stomach

I've been following the saga of Canterbury's "overworked food inspection team" for some time now, and finally it seems the council has decided to do something about it.



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While one more inspector is encouraging news, as the story states, is one really enough? Surely there can be few oversights with more dire consequences than failing to inspect potentially dangerous food prepara-

ration premises?

I worry that soon we will be reading about a mass outbreak of food poisoning at one or more establishments if the situation is not taken slightly more seriously.

Jenny Andrews, Canterbury



Inspiring story is right for schools

I found Martin Hopley's story quite remarkable, and I can imagine his talk was very inspiring for the pupils at Barton Court lucky enough to hear it.

His refreshing and honest take on life and death is a breath of fresh air, and brings to mind some of the excellent channel four documentaries over the years which have dealt in a quirky, yet poignant way with all sorts of extremely difficult subjects.

I hope more schools take up his offer.

Gabrielle Wood-Davies

Tennis is a game not a real sport

Regarding the correspondence in your letters page about the merits or otherwise of tennis as opposed to other sports I would like to add my thoughts.

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a game rather than a sport.

Sports should have some sort of risk involved – whether it be physical contact such as is a part of football, rugby or hockey or the dangers of facing fast bowling as in cricket.

Other activities which should be classified as sports are athletics, swimming and combats such as boxing, judo etc.

And I feel games should encompass things such as tennis, along with badminton and bowls.

Brian McBride, by email

Make Bruno posters on the bus stop

I wish to state my annoyance at a particular advertisement which seems to be all over the place at the moment.

It's for a film and it's a picture of comic Sacha Baron Cohen in his character of Bruno.

The poster is on every bus that seems to go past my home as well as numerous other places and is deeply annoying, showing the character in ridiculous shorts and top.

Am I the only person to find this man and his Borats and Brunos about as funny as swine flu?

Thelma Hughes, by email

Political correctness in wrong direction

Surely if the phrase "political cor-

rectness gone mad" can ever be correctly applied it is the decision of a police force to give compasses to Muslim prisoners so that they can pray correctly.

If there ever was a more useful tool for someone who is attempting to escape incarceration and go on the run no-one has discovered it.

Why not give them a file, a change of clothes and false papers to go with it?

Ian Paynter, by email

Welcome foreign visitors to our city

With summer comes the influx of young foreign visitors to our towns and cities – a thing not often praised by Kentish residents.

But I feel it is good that they come over here and take an interest in our history – which usually involves us putting one over them if they are French or German.

So I am calling on people when they see a crocodile of slowly moving children all eating sweets and speaking in a foreign tongue.

Don't think they are blocking the streets and complain – thank them for benefiting our economy.

Mark Davies, by email

Dover is gateway to frustration

As a visitor to Kent using the ferries

to get to the continent I noticed how inadequate the transport network is – and it started to drive me mad.

I really didn't want to spend part of my weekend trip queuing to get into the port behind loads of lorries who were clogging up the way through Dover.

Surely if it is one of the busiest ports in the world it should be able to be reached by something better than what is really just a main road through a town?

It does nothing whatsoever to give a good impression of the "gateway to Europe".

Teresa Roberts, by email

Wincheap's traffic woes are hotting up

I live in one of the side roads coming off Wincheap Road, and I'm writing to express my continuing frustration at the state of the area's traffic. Every day residents face attempting to turn out onto a hugely congested road, only to crawl along with agonising slowness toward the roundabout.

It is hugely frustrating and the sooner a slip road to divert vehicles around the area is built the better.

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Friday, July 17 to Sunday, July 19
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ROYAL visitors will be taking part in the Kent County Show's 80th celebration.

On Friday, the Earl and Countess of Wessex are due to be attending the Kent County Agricultural Society's show to meet many of the county's farmers, growers and food producers.

They will also see the Young Farmers display, which will feature more than 400 young people showing their cattle, sheep, pigs and small pets during the three-day event.

The Royal couple have also been asked to present long service awards to agricultural workers.

The visit will provide an exciting start to the show, which has a vast array of attractions to interest all the family. After an absence of many years, the King's Troop Royal Horse

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On Friday, the Coakham Bloodhounds will be in action in the Astor and Falmouth Rings, while a display illustrating 80 years of agricultural machinery takes place in the Falmouth Ring every day.

Animal magic

On all three days, the police dog demonstration will shed light on the important work of canine officers. There will be more animal magic from the twice-daily bird of prey flying demonstrations by The Hawking Centre, as well as ferret and terrier racing in the Countryside Area and the Warrenby Gun Dogs.

Learn about farming with the educational live stage show about sheep

and wool, while the Sheep, Dog and Duck Display will be entertaining for all the family.

Dogs are put through their paces in the flyball races and there will be more excitement with the Ken Fox Wall of Death.

Young riders tackle tough obstacles in the display by the Kent Youth Trials Club, and visitors can meet Titan the Robot, a humanoid entertainment robot.

A display in the Kent Pavilion, Remembering Kent: An 80-Year Journey, explores the collaborations between the showground and many of the county's organisations. The EcoVillage returns and there will also be an exhibition by the National Association of Flower Arrangement Societies.

The show runs from 8am to 6pm each day. Tickets cost £17/£12 for adults, £7.50 for children and £43 for families.

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The show is being staged at the Playhouse as part of the Marlowe in Motion programme, taking place while the Marlowe Theatre in Canterbury is closed for redevelopment.

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Mother of two Dr McManners is well known in her professional field. In addition to running two successful clinics in central London she writes regularly for magazines on health and beauty issues in addition to being the first UK female doctor to become a registered naturopath.

After qualifying at



London's University College Hospital in 1983 she went into general practice before beginning non-surgical treatments in 1998.

Her London clinics have proved hugely successful and as a regular customer at Antoniou for the past 18 years it occurred to her that the salon would provide a

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It's the Whitstable

■ BY JENNY ARMSTRONG

OYSTER eaters, music lovers and art aficionados are all gearing up for this week's Whitstable Oyster Festival.

Thousands are expected to attend what organisers are calling 'one of Kent's biggest festivals this year.'

The occasion, an ancient celebration of Whitstable's most famous export, kicks off this week with traditional seaside activities, art exhibitions, music and plenty for the children too.

It takes place in Whitstable, the idyllic seaside town whose oysters have been a delicacy since Roman times.

The week gets going with the traditional Landing of the Oysters and Oyster Parade, traditions which date back to Norman times.

Then there is the low-tide mud tug, oyster eating competitions, crab catching and grotter

day for the kids, and a packed programme from funk to photography, storytelling to samba, and bike rides to belly-dancing.

As well as the highlights you will find on the opposite page, there are also exhibitions and events which run throughout the festivities.

There is an exhibition of local artists' work at the Horsebridge Centre and photography at the Methodists' Church.

Whitstable Museum is running creepy crawl events for kids throughout the week, and there is an open studio trail for the more discerning connoisseur.

Discover the oyster lace-makers at Whitstable Improvement Trust, and try crafts for yourself at 2pm in the Horsebridge Centre throughout the week.

Go to the Tea Gardens, the beach, the harbour and Deco5 for music, or go for an invigorating and informative historic walk to learn more about local history.

The festival runs from Saturday, July 18 to Saturday, July 24 in and around the town and its beaches.

The full listings are at www.whitstable-oysterfestival.com.

Oyster festival history

WHITSTABLE has fished for oysters for a long time and celebrating a good oyster year is an ancient tradition.

Being practical folk, in Norman times Whitstable fishermen held their annual festival in the slack period for oysters when there was less oyster fishing to do - this was traditionally in the summer.

The Holy Day festival would consist of a church ceremony, and then feasting, dancing, games and contests.

It came to fall on July 25, the feast day of St James of Compostella, patron saint of oysters.

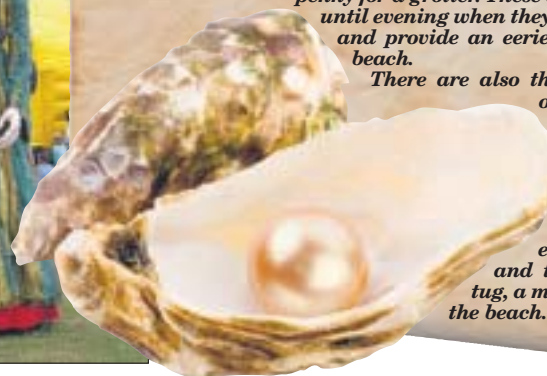
A great festival highlight is the Landing of the Oysters, where Whitstable Sea Scouts bring oysters ashore in a traditional yoke to be blessed by a clergyman before they are presented to the Lord Mayor.

In an ancient ceremony the oysters are then passed to inns and restaurants as part of the colourful Oyster Parade which passes through the town centre.

Grotter Building, making hollow mounds of sand or mud decorated with oyster shells, is another local tradition not to be missed.

These were originally built by children who would beg a penny for a grotter. These days they are kept until evening when they are lit by candles and provide an eerie spectacle on the beach.

There are also the fun and messy oyster eating competitions, where entrants have to eat six oysters and half a pint of local beer in the shortest time possible, and the low tide mud tug, a messy tug of war on the beach.



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- Live Music on South Quay; 12noon to 8pm, Harbour South Quay, Free
- Oyster Parade; 12.15pm, Long Beach, Free
- James Campbell - Comedy for Kids; 4.30pm, Whitstable Playhouse, £6.50

SUNDAY, JULY 19

- Sea Sunday in the Harbour: music, crafts and talks; 11am, Whitstable Harbour, Free
- Meet the Beastly Boys: talk by children's author; 11.30am, Horsebridge Centre, Free
- Crab and Winkle with Spokes: cycle ride; 1.30pm, Crab and Winkle seat opposite the RNLI, Free
- Mud Tug; 4pm, Long Beach, Free
- Coastal History - A Whitstable Walkabout with Kent Wildlife Trust; 4.30pm, outside Hotel Continental, Beach Walk, Free

MONDAY, JULY 20

- Hey Diddle Music: music for children; 10am and 11.45am, Horsebridge Centre, £2 per child
- Books, Bears and Biscuits featuring the Tell Woman: storytelling; 11.30am, Tower Hill Tea Gardens, Free

- Whitstable Walk: walk and history; 3pm, Kean's Yard, £2.50
- Kentish Pubs: a history; 7.30pm, Ship Centurian Pub, Free
- Invicta Jazz Orchestra; 7.30pm, St Alphege Church

TUESDAY, JULY 21

- Make a Kite, Fly a Kite: kite-building drop in; 10am to 3pm, Horsebridge Centre, £2
- Crusty Crabs: crab catching for children; 12.30pm, Horsebridge/Reeves Beach, Free
- Tony Blake's Archive Film Show; 7.30pm, Horsebridge Centre, £6/£4
- Oyster Singers; 7.30pm, Methodist Church, £5
- Circus Skills Workshop: for children; 10am and 12pm, Umbrella Centre, £8

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22

- Kite Flying: competition; 11.30am, Tankerton Slopes, Free
- Whitstable Brewery Beer Festival; Noon to 11pm, East Quay, £5 after 7.30pm
- The Shipwright Shanty Crew and Friends Evening, Ship Centurian Pub, Free
- Poetry in Motion; 7pm, Tennis Courts at West Beach, £4
- Tishomingo Jazz Band; 8pm, Marine Hotel, Tankerton, £6

THURSDAY, JULY 23

- Victory Wood and the Battle of Trafalgar: walk through ancient woodland; 10am, Victory Wood Car Park, £4

- Adventures in Wonderland: children's stories and games; 10.30pm, Horsebridge Centre, £3
- Grotters Galore: traditional grotter making; 2pm to 6pm, Reeves Beach, Free
- Blessing of the Waters; 6.45pm, Sea Wall/Reeves Beach, Free
- Carmina Avium: light and classical music; 7.30pm, Methodist Church, £4

FRIDAY, JULY 24

- Sea Shore Safari; 10am to Noon, Kean's Yard Car Park, Free
- Topping Times and Jolly Japes; Noon to 5pm, Tower Hill Tea Gardens, Free
- Lost Souls: a Storytelling Ghost Walk with Scandalmongers; 8pm, outside the Horsebridge Centre, £3
- King David: blues; 8.30pm, Deco5 Wine Bar, £5
- Comedy Club at the Horsebridge - Edinburgh Preview; 7pm, Horsebridge Centre, £7/£5

SATURDAY JULY 25

- The Bureau of Silly Ideas: pie throwing; All day, Whitstable Harbour, Free
- Wonderful Woodlice; 10am to 12.30pm, Whitstable Museum, Free
- EPICentre: local food market; 10am to 5pm, Harbour, Free
- Oyster Eating Competition; 4pm, Whitstable Harbour stage, £3 to enter
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Robin blossoms when she steps in Pippa's clothes

BY LISA WILLIAMS

I'VE been talking to Robin Wright Penn for ten minutes and she's already slipped into an English accent three times.

We're in Edinburgh, where she is promoting her latest film *The Private Lives Of Pippa Lee* and on the first two occasions I assume she's putting it on for comic effect.

On the third, I can't help but point these moments of received pronunciation and she looks startled.

"I know," the 43-year-old says confessionally. "It's because when I'm around you people I feel just like I have to speak like this because I hate my accent. I feel very American around you guys."

She starts making a whining sound and adds: "That's what I sound like to myself when I'm around you."

Robin's father is English so she had a head-start with the accent and the California-based actress admits that – after putting on her costume – adopting another accent helps her get into character.

"Clothing is so important to me when finding a character. It changes your walk, the way you hold your arms, the way you sit: it's maybe the most important thing. Of course, if you have an accent, that's even better."

In her title role as Pippa Lee, a 50-year-old woman heading for a mental breakdown after moving to a retirement village with her older husband, Robin didn't have to feign an accent. But her clothes, she says, were instrumental in getting herself into the prim and proper role.

Given starched beige trousers and plain blouses, her on-screen wardrobe is eye-catching in its plainness.



ROBIN'S LIVES: Robin Wright Penn with husband Sean

"It was genius picking those very conservative, wardrobe pieces for me, and the curl in the hair aged me, too."

Although close to her character in age, the almost-50 actress says the clothes really helped her get into the part.

"I really felt her, every day, because I wear this," she says, pointing at her skinny jeans and tailored leather jacket. "Always have."

In the film, Pippa has an affair with her friend's son, played by Keanu Reeves, who rescues her from her troubled past and the suburban drudgery in which she ends up living.

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Pitched to movie audiences as an age-gap relationship film, in real life Keanu is actually a year older than Robin.

She admits that kissing him on set wasn't strange, because of the on-screen chemistry.

"He was so perfect for it. I feel like we were blessed to have him do it, because it didn't feel strange. The dynamic was already there. To me, that's chemical," she says, her voice inflecting upwards as if asking a question.

"When a director knows, when they walk in, that that person clicks, and we just had it," she continues.

"We needed Pippa to be seen and he's the first person that actually sees her for who she is. It's beautiful as it's like she's then set free, allowed to blossom."

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YOUR TV REVIEW

BY GARETH DORRIAN

PSYCHOVILLE BBC 2, 10pm, Friday

IN a week of bizarre news – which saw mourners wave a white-gloved goodbye to the king of pop and a man drowned in a vat of chocolate – Psychoville seems genteel in comparison.

The fourth instalment of this serial killer panto was most notable for one extraordinary thing.

It wasn't the usual queasy blend of Hammer horror schlock and dark humour that was unusual.

Anyone familiar with its creators – the men behind BBC2's equally disturbing League of Gentlemen – will be well used to that.

What was incredible was how technically perfect this episode seemed, done as it was in one long unflinching and brutally involving shot.

For the unaware, Psychoville tells the macabre tale of a freakish assortment of murderous characters all over the country who are being blackmailed by a shadowy raincoated and glove-wearing bloke.

Its cast includes a blind toy-obsessed loner, a porn movie panto dwarf, a one-handed clown and a nurse who thinks her baby doll is alive.

The previous three episodes paraded the oddball cast in a series of cringe-inducing, bloodthirsty and lurid scenarios – that were often brutal, slickly edited and occasionally hilarious.

A link between all of them has been hinted at and it appeared we were headed towards a formulaic ending, tying up the loose ends.

But on Thursday last week, the show took an unexpected detour into an apparently traditional BBC format – the television play.

For 30 minutes, Psychoville's two most disturbing stars – mum-and-son team David and Maureen Sowerbutts



FUN'S OVER: BBC2's Psychoville was created by the team behind the League of Gentlemen

(Steve Pemberton and Reece Shearsmith) – took centre stage.

David and Maureen are so decidedly creepy, they could easily be the two most disturbing television characters ever imagined.

Their incestuous exchanges are thrown into shocking focus by his encyclopaedic knowledge of mass murderers and her homely homicidal tendencies.

Psychoville is not an easily forgotten monsters ball.

Aside from the gruesome violence, there are some wicked one-liners. To describe it simply as black comedy is an understatement that ranks alongside "that Jacko could dance a bit".

The single-shot experiment worked a treat – and highlighted the flawless timing and talent of Pemberton and Shearsmith. Their interaction is simply frightening to recall.

YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

BY RUSSELL GRANT



AQUARIUS (Jan 21-Feb 19)
YOU exude animal magnetism, getting admiring glances wherever you go. Of course, amour could be the last thing on your mind right now. It seems as though creative pursuits are taking up most of your attention. You could discover a talent for one of the performing arts.

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TAURUS (Apr 21-May 21)
EARNING more money has become your top priority. You hate venturing out of your comfort zone, but it's becoming more and more apparent you need to do so in order to increase your earnings. If this means trying your hand in a different industry, so be it.

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LEO (Jul 24-Aug 23)
SPENDING more time with friends helps ease any tension that's been building. Recently, demands have kept you cut off from your nearest and dearest. This is a difficult situation for you. By scaling back your work schedule, you'll be back to your happy, spontaneous self in no time.

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SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)
YOUR pulling power is at an all-time high this week. Twisting someone around your little finger will be easy. It really isn't fair to play with their affections when you are so irresistible, but nobody can accuse you of being a saint and a little bit of what you fancy will do you good.

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PISCES (Feb 20-Mar 20)
TRUST your feelings this week, especially as far as men are concerned. A relative or colleague thinks that you're a threat. If he tries to bully you into going against your interests, put your foot down. If you're house hunting, go ahead and haggle for the best price available.

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GEMINI (May 22-Jun 22)
GETTING in shape will not only make you look better, it will also lift your spirits. Pretty soon, you'll renew your interest in people and activities that used to give you pleasure. Don't worry what others will think of your new routine. When it comes to fitness, do it for yourself.

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VIRGO (Aug 24-Sep 23)
PEOPLE are looking to you for leadership, so don't be shy about asserting yourself. You need to be exacting with colleagues who have a tendency to slack off. Granted, your high expectations won't make you very popular, but it will yield impressive results.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)
IT'S time to even the score with a best friend, business partner or lover. Lateley they have been riding roughshod over you. Stand up for yourself and they'll stop taking you for granted. If someone special has caught your eye you'll have to make the first move.

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ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 20)
YOU'RE even more restless than usual and very tired of the same old routines. If you're dating you may be tempted ditch them and find someone sexier, but be careful you could let a perfectly good relationship slip through your fingers and end up regretting your skittishness.

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CANCER (Jun 23-Jul 23)
A SURGE of creative energy prompts you to take time out to work alone on a pet project. You get more satisfaction from writing, painting, and music than you do from work or family. Naturally some may feel alienated by your behaviour, but that can't be helped.

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LIBRA (Sep 24-Oct 23)
GIVING yourself over to a spiritual pursuit could be fulfilling. You're tired of always having to think in material terms. Reading will be illuminating and so will attending religious services. In the end, you don't have to commit to anything; just keep an open mind.

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CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 20)
TAKE an objective attitude toward work. If you're given responsibilities that are beneath your ability, do them anyway. Your employer is too short staffed to tolerate temper tantrums. Besides, if you put in a good performance now, you may be promoted when times get better.

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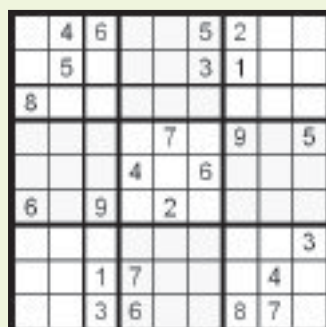
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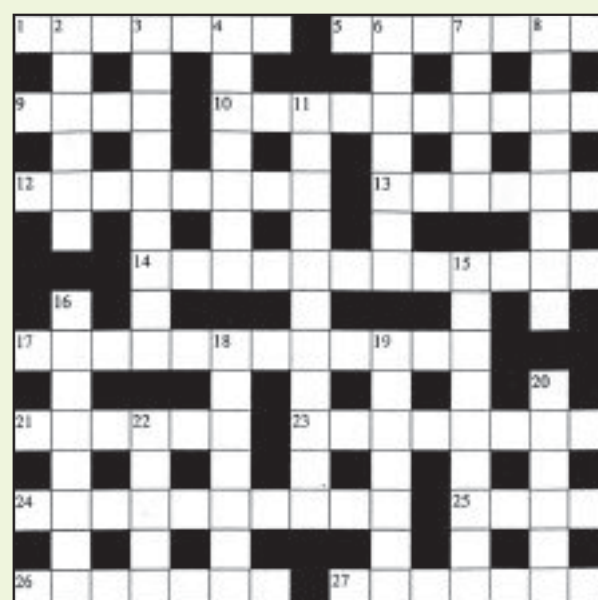
ACROSS

- 1 In passing twice near to the centre (2,32)
5 Spirited? Did another's work (7)
9 Initially one cannot have more than one vote with this (4)
10 Short jacket from bottom cabinet (10)
12 Geological period of French mountains (8)
13 Slow-moving, causing sensation of horror or fear (6)
14 Soldier in courtroom drama seen again in slow motion (6,6)
17 Something unspecified that in Paris repeatedly going round lake had been selected (7,5)
21 During afternoon one step taken on plain (6)
23 Hitch-hiker's request, a tonic? (4-2-2)
24 Belonging to the past school subject finished early I state (10)
25 Neat receptacle (4)
26 X perhaps hasn't been recognised (7)
27 Game little creature (7)

DOWN

- 2 My repeated coming up round the bend expressing pleasant anticipation of food (3-3)
3 Hold a dance and enjoy oneself greatly (4,1,4)
4 Look after young children but let bib stay out of place (4-3)
6 Vehicle rented by a richer eccentric (4,3)
7 Lassie gets trapped during assault (5)
8 New example with right pattern (8)
11 Naturally it cannot be seen being very small (11)
15 Drill put cinema out of action (9)
16 Continuance of the French allowance (8)
18 Loosen a French propeller (7)
19 Kissing cur also in trouble (7)
20 Cake and port (6)

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ACROSS

- 1 Jeer (7)
5 Risky undertaking (7)
9 Vocalise (4)
10 OT character renowned for longevity (10)
12 Total wreck (5-3)
13 Write music (6)
14 To the utmost degree (2,3,7)
17 Generous (5-7)
21 Clothes fastener (6)
23 Swinging weight (8)
24 Cervine animal (6,4)
25 Trademark (4)
26 Present (anag.) (7)
27 Flap (7)

DOWN

- 2 Birdcage (6)
3 Conservative (5-4)
4 Garden heap (7)
6 Vernal ____ (7)
7 Twitter (5)
8 Materiel (anag.) (8)
11 Caramel-coated fruit on a stick (6-5)
15 Goatfish (3,6)
16 Playful banter (8)
18 Succeeded with toil and difficulty (4-3)
19 Plant's climbing organ (7)
20 Manipulate (6)
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Top DJs get Tunnel Vision as fort hosts house night



■ BY SIMON ROBINSON

THE Napoleonic Fort Horsted will be brought into the 21st century next month during a one-off night of house, techno and dubstep.

The historic monument, built in 1880, will host Smirnoff's Tunnel Vision night on Saturday, August 1.

Headliners include Maidstone-born DJ Jim Rivers and David E Sugar, who has recently toured with the likes of overnight sensations La Roux, Calvin Harris and Klaxons.

Jim, whose DJ-ing talents have taken him across the US, Australia and Europe, said he was looking forward to his home-coming gig.

He said: "Although I was born in Maidstone, I've been living in Bristol for the last few years and have been touring around the world, so it's good to come back to Kent and stake my claim again."

"I'm looking forward to the event – the venue looks really good. I can't say I've ever DJed in a Napoleonic fort before!"

"I'll be playing a mixture – everything from deep house to techno and everything in between. I really want to get people going."

A Tunnel Vision spokesman said: "The fort will play host to one of the most unique events – a day/nighter of epic proportions."

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itary re-enactments, hog roasts and an abundance of historic shenanigans."

Joining Jim in The Tunnel room will be fellow house and techno DJs Dodek, Mode: Repeat, Lee Brinx, Alex K, Tom Jobson and Deano Loco.

The Other Room boasts the likes of Dycey, J-Varn, Small Fry, Jay Kenzo and Big Trouble.

Adam French and Anthony Froom will also provide sunset beats on the Sunshine Terrace.

A limited number of saver tickets are available at £12, with the standard entry set at £15. Tickets are available from www.clubtickets.com and by phoning 0870 2462050.

Tunnel Vision is operating a bus service from the River Bar in Maidstone. It will leave at 5pm and return at 3am.

Fort Horsted is in Primrose Close, Chatham. For details, visit www.residentadvisor.net/tunnelvision

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GOOD VIBES: Fort Horsted will be playing host to Kent-born DJ Jim Rivers (above left) in an epic day/nighter



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BY JEREMY GATES

TAKING care to dodge the cyclists, I moved to the edge of the rutted chalk footpath to take in the view from Britain's next national park – and saw a panorama to compare with the Alps.

To the north, beyond the plain of the Weald, was the ridge my National Trust notes identified as the Hog's Back. "Blunt bow-headed, whale-backed downs" is how Rudyard Kipling described a similar scene.

Below me, the village of South Harting was nestled around its medieval church spire, the fields occasionally patterned by sunlight bursting between clouds.

Gloomsters agonise about the fate of the South Downs when it becomes Britain's 15th National Park in 2010. But in the sleepy rural lanes of West Sussex, southwards from Crawley through the Arun Valley to the coast, only a vivid imagination would worry about this special place getting too crowded.

The town of Arundel, for example, is such a historic gem that you would expect it to be swamped already.

Is the castle worth it for visitors paying £15 per head? Probably, because you get so many bangs for your bucks: walled gardens, augmented by the spectacular Earl Collector's Garden opened last summer; the keep and its ancient battlements, voice-overs re-enacting a Civil War siege; and then the house itself, largely rebuilt in the late-19th Century and family home for generations of the Howards, one England's great Catholic families.

Beyond the castle are the sort of attractions that would enable a family to holiday happily



LIVING HISTORY: Spectacular Arundel Castle offers visitors an array of activities for a fun-packed day out

around Arundel this summer for a week.

At Swanborough Lake, where families go boating beneath cliffs covered in trees and bushes, the setting is so perfect that Sir Winston Churchill tried to paint it when he stayed at the castle.

Nearby, the 65-acre Wildfowl and Wetlands Centre, part of the famous charity based at Slimbridge, offers challenges galore with an 'eco' theme: sunrise safaris; evening bat walks; silent, electric boat rides; summer pond-dipping and bug-hunting; collections of rare species of wildfowls; and play areas with two new giant bird feeders large enough for children to climb inside.

A couple of miles away was our base to explore this delightful corner of West Sussex: the remarkable Bailiffscourt Hotel, one of few country-house hotels with the sea at the

bottom of the garden – the English Channel on the shingle of Climping Beach.

With mellow stone walls beneath a massive thatched roof, Bailiffscourt would appear to be a centuries-old Cotswold house. In fact, this splendid architectural fake was created by the Guinness family in the 1930s, and has become the sort of place where couples go for a quiet, luxurious stay to remember.

Forget all that waffle about Wi-Fi – our room had a huge four-poster bed, an open fireplace, already laid with paper and kindling, and a basket of logs to be tossed on the flames whenever we felt a tad chilly.

Next morning, before breakfast, the ultimate luxury: a choice between a visit to the health club with both indoor and outdoor pools, or an easy stroll down to the beach to share the rising dawn with the wave-skimming seagulls.

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Currency	Sterling
Religion	Christian
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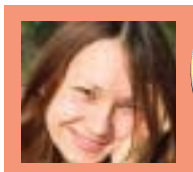


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WOMEN seeking men

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER
Hi I'm Katie, caring, fun-loving, 5ft5, slim single mum of 2. Enjoy clubbing out and cosy nights in with genuine man. Box 453269 **📧**

IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU BABY
Caring and honest lady, 25, blonde eyes, blonde hair, looking for a sweet, caring and respectful non-smoking man, 25-35, for love, friendship and LTR. Box 879522 **📧**

MATCH OF THE DAY!
Fun-to-be-with, blonde female, 25, 5ft2, a woman who loves football! Enjoys going out and staying in, looking for a like-minded man, to be her soulmate. Box 446494 **📧**

NOT YOUR BROWN-EYED GIRL, BUT...
Blue-eyed brunette, 27, 5ft1, loves films, walking, darts, pool, singing, me time! Looking for honest guy with GSOH, to get to know. Box 880105 **📧**

ME AND YOU
Medium build girl, 28, brown hair, green eyes, seeking honest guy who looks after number one, for lasting relationship. Box 451834 **📧**

GIVE AND TAKE IN LOVE
Loving lovely female, 30, blue eyes, brown hair, seeking LTR with male 30-35, 6ft+, no baggage, in the Maidstone area. Box 448471 **📧**

YOURS AND YOURS ONLY
Attractive, down-to-earth British-Indian single mum, 29, WLTm white British male, 30-40, for lasting, loving relationship. Box 883431 **📧**

HORSES FOR COURSEES...
Caring, loving, affectionate female, 30, 5'2", blonde, likes walking, horse riding, animals, seeks affectionate male, 30-40, for lasting, loving relationship. Box 384013 **📧**

IN THE COUNTRY
Are you the one? I'm 33, single, 5ft2, pure country lass from farming background, seeking my lovely country man to make me forever happy. Box 892265 **📧**

HAPPY DAYS!
Attractive, fun-loving female, 31, 5'4", size 12, dark hair with blonde highlights, tactile, WLTm intelligent, professional, attractive guy, for a happy relationship. Tunbridge Wells. Box 308734 **📧**

SOUND GOOD?
Hello I'm 35, kind, caring and non-smoking, enjoy cooking, cinema, music, dining in and out, looking for that special someone to enjoy a relationship with. Box 447595 **📧**

FEAST YOUR EYES ON ME...
Hello I'm Andrea, petite 5ft3, shoulder length curly hair, I enjoy eating out, the cinema and I'm looking for friendship and possible long term relationship. Box 453039 **📧**

SEALED WITH A KISS
Petite lady, 36, long hair, blue eyes, single mum, enjoys holidays, wine and dining, laughing, seeks loyal, loving man for friendship and more. Box 453079 **📧**

STARRY NIGHTS
Hello I'm Sarah, single mum from Kent, brown hair enjoy swimming nights in/out looking for a caring man to share the best thing in life. Box 878378 **📧**

GALLOP AHEAD!
Maidstone-based woman, 36, 5ft5, slim build, blue eyes, I'm caring, honest and have 4 children, I enjoy driving and horse riding, and WLTm honest, reliable man. Box 451311 **📧**

HISTORIC MEETING?
Mum of three, 36, long mousey hair, blue eyes, interested in historical places, music, eating out, seeks kind, caring, genuine male 36-49, non-smoker, for LTR. Box 440693 **📧**



CALL ME
Happy but shy girl of 37, loves all the normal things in life, seeks a mature guy, hoping for something lasting and meaningful. Bexhill-on-Sea. Box 452424 **📧**

MEND A BROKEN HEART
Single mum, 37, fun-loving, been hurt in past, looking for nice, genuine guy for hopeful happiness - no time wasters! Box 908053 **📧**

SEIZE THE DAY
Loving female, 36, 5ft4, brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 428666 **📧**

CUTE AS CAN BE
Cute single mum of four, 38, Kent-based, into most things, looking for friendship, possibly romance. Box 897983 **📧**



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A SOUL MATE
Black Christian girl, 39, likes country music, loving, considerate, kind and caring, looking for a like-minded man, 32-50, with a pretty inside. Box 453066 **📧**

ENTHUSIASM ENCOURAGED!
Lovely pretty big-busted lady, 39, medium build, 5ft5, lots of energy! likes the gym, reading, new experiences! seeking a nice man for potential exciting relationship! Box 446724 **📧**

THE WIT TO WOO!
Kent female, 40, 5'7", dark eyes, GSOH, no ties, likes cosy nights in, socialising, country pubs, cinema, seeks loyal, caring male, for friendship & more. Box 152862 **📧**

YOUNG-AT-HEART
Attractive 38yr old female, dark brown hair, blue eyes, curvy physique, likes days out, music, concerts, cinema, walking, cycling, seeks loving, fun male, for friendship/relationship. Box 901893 **📧**

JOINED AT THE HIP
Sociable petite girl with great SOH, 40, blonde, sociable, love football! Looking for fun guy with great SOH for inseparable partnership. Box 880434 **📧**

PERFECT MATCH
Hi I'm Nikki, 5ft7, brown hair, green eyes, enjoys animals especially my pets. Looking for a tall man who has a personality compatible with mine Box 453374 **📧**

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A NICE BOTTLE OF WINE
Lovely, glossy brunette, 39yr old, petite, bubbly and loving, enjoys theatre, music and eating out, with a professional, loving and tactile male for a relationship. Box 442551 **📧**

A HEART FULL OF LOVE
Nice looking, genuine 41yr old mixed race female, likes cinema, walks, eating out, bowling, with a genuine good natured white male, GSOH, for fun filled friendship/relationship. Box 450890 **📧**

FOR A RELATIONSHIP?
Shy but confident-once-known female, 40, likes socialising, tennis, walks, swimming; seeks gent with similar interests to find hopeful love with. Box 452106 **📧**

ACTIVE TYPE
Lively, energetic and fun loving mum, 42, I'm 5ft3, petite, pretty, blonde/brown hair/hazel eyes, wltm mixed race/black gent, to share good times with. Box 451819 **📧**

BELLA ISABEL
Lovely, fun and caring brunette, 42, recently divorced, intelligent, hard working, fun-loving, WLTm a gent to socialise with. Box 878250 **📧**

LIVE LIFE TO THE FULL
Good-looking brunette from Kent, 43, 5ft10, likes bowling, eating in/out etc. Looking for a good-looking guy, 35-45, with gsoh for friendship/relationship. Box 450348 **📧**

THIS STATE OF INDEPENDENCE
Hard-working female, 41, 5'4", bubbly, independent woman, love to laugh, socialising with friends, looking for independent man who values TLC. Box 414156 **📧**

LOVE TO MEET YOU
Kind woman, 42, outgoing, happy-go-lucky, sometimes shy, I like gardening, socialising, travel, walks. Looking for happy, fun fella. Aylesford Box 428464 **📧**

MISS THIS MISS OUT
Radiant, warm, witty, intelligent, attractive lady, 44, 5'6", love music, travel, restaurants, the arts, theatre, with like-minded gent, 38-50 who's fun, cultured, solvent and kind. Box 430403 **📧**

COULD IT BE YOU?
Hi I'm 44, slim, 5ft3, a redhead, love nights out, socialising, looking for friendship initially and hopefully more later on. Box 889800 **📧**

COME ON DOWN!
Honest, bubbly female 45, long hair, slim, enjoys walking, cinema, socialising; seeks honest, friendly chap for friendship leading to more. Box 882693 **📧**

YOUNG AT HEART
Young 46, fun-loving but also mature, serious female, looking for someone fit, handsome, intelligent and full of fun. Box 884113 **📧**

MAID MARIAN!
Hi, I'm Marian, petite, blonde, green eyes, 46, looking for my Mr Right, to have fun with and enjoy lasting relationship with. Box 447986 **📧**

ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME?
Caring, cute female, 46, petite, likes socialising, dancing, travelling, good food, seeking intelligent, loyal man 42-52 for love and TLC. Seaford. Box 444366 **📧**

HELP ME OPEN UP
Easygoing lady, 46, dark brown hair/blue eyes, medium build, likes life, socialising, the seaside, walks, drinks, WLTm male to share a bottle of wine with. Box 444585 **📧**

2'S COMPANY
Seeking gent, 48-50ish, I'm a divorced woman, in Ryve, 47, work in nursing, and WLTm someone loving and faithful, I like meals out, theatre, arts, walks. Box 452503 **📧**

FANCY A DRINK?
Hi, I'm June, 47, bubbly, loving. Looking for a trustworthy guy for a relationship, I enjoy walks, car-boots, travelling and sharing a bottle of red. Box 878294 **📧**

LOOK THIS WAY!
Slim single mum, 48, 5ft5, light brown hair, works full time, friendly and easy-going, WLTm lots of new friends, hopefully someone special. Box 878456 **📧**

BE MY FRIEND AND LOVER
Bubbly, caring lady, 47, divorced with 2 teenagers, dark hair, medium build, into cooking, driving, love to talk, laugh and have fun, seeking a normal guy. Box 425952 **📧**

ARE YOU LOVING AND CARING?
Young 48 year old, loving, caring, very bubbly, 5ft5, medium build, blonde, blue eyes, likes clubs, cinema, eating out, cosy nights, good company Box 434089 **📧**

HERE AND NOW
Outgoing lady, 50, enjoys walks along the beach, nights out and with a quiet bottle of wine, seeks man to love forever. Box 449524 **📧**

CARING & PROFESSIONAL
Female 49, 5ft4, long hair, slim build, likes eating out, the beach, travel, seeks a friendly chap, 48-55. Hastings Box 471700 **📧**

JUST IMAGINE
Petite, brunette, bubbly, friendly, easy-going single mum, 49, enjoys cinema, eating out, socialising, most things, WLTm genuine male, to see where life takes us! Box 893562 **📧**

SHARE A BOTTLE
This is Diane, I'm 51, 5ft7, quite curvy, very social, honest and friendly, I work full-time and want to spend time with a nice man. Box 453370 **📧**

HIT THE JACKPOT
Good-looking female, 50, looking for a kind, reliable and honest man, must be a moderate drinker, for companionship and romance. Box 878216 **📧**

FUNNY GIRL
Petite, blonde female, 51, GSOH, likes music, books, films, cooking, looking for romantic soulmate 45-55 for TLC. Kent. Box 835181 **📧**

SHARE LIFE
Caring woman of 52, normal, down-to-earth, open minded and loves to give, looking for an understanding and caring female to enjoy films, walks and more. Box 452463 **📧**

LIFE IS FOR LIVING
Professional woman, young 53, likes gardening, summer bbqs, keeping fit and long walks, looking for a non-smoking man to share life with. Box 453307 **📧**

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YOU DON'T KNOW UNTIL YOU CALL...
Young-looking, hard-working 53yr old living in East Sussex. I am a happy, caring person with a good sense of humour. Non-smoker. Heathfield. Box 883410 **📧**

COMPANIONSHIP, LAUGHTER, HOPEFULLY MORE
Curvy & cuddly, outgoing, friendly, honest female, 53, 5ft7, larger build, fair hair, likes socialising, country walks, theatre, cinema, music, swimming, WLTm similar loving male. Box 443642 **📧**

DO YOU HAVE THE BRAINS & THE LOOKS?!
Professional, attractive female, 54, enjoys the countryside, gardening, keeping fit, reading and live music, looking to meet an attractive and intelligent man for a relationship. Box 448863 **📧**

WALKS ALONG THE BEACH
55yr old bubbly, cheerful, divorced lady, looking for a genuine, tall, smart man with a GSOH to share the finer things in life with. Box 453352 **📧**

LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS!
Smart petite lady, 56, 5ft4, tall, blonde hair, green eyes, likes restaurants, theatre, cinema, travel abroad; seeking happy guy with similar interests. Box 448795 **📧**

ANIMAL LOVER
Attractive lady, non-smoker, aged 57, GSOH, I enjoy eating in/out, seeing friends, theatre, animals, and WLTm similar, non-smoking male. Box 452498 **📧**

WALKS ALONG THE COAST
Honest & sincere female, 58, tall, GSOH, loves country pubs, coasts, cinema, seeking a man who's a match for me with GSOH for relationship. Box 441622 **📧**

BEING WITH YOU
Hi I'm Jenny, 61yr old widow, enjoys pub meals, countryside, the beach, cinema, seeks loving male for friendship and more. Box 453104 **📧**

CALL ME LATE
Young at heart 63yr old woman, likes most things, looking for a genuine male, for friendship and more. Box 452662 **📧**

LOTS OF TLC TO GIVE
Happy-go-lucky lady, 63, 5ft3, medium build, brown hair/eyes, likes dancing, walking and holidays abroad, looking for a like-minded male for friendship, maybe a LTR. Box 452897 **📧**

SOMEONE TO SHARE LIFE WITH
Attractive retired lady, 63, loves swimming and cycling, cinema, eating out...seeks company with a great SOH, young-minded, to enjoy anything that happens. Box 451579 **📧**

SOMEBODY TO LAUGH WITH...
Loving lady looking for companionship, 63, 5ft3, medium build, brown hair/eyes, loves dancing, walks and animals; seeks similar male with great SOH for lasting happiness. Box 446382 **📧**

GENUINE LADY
Attractive lady, 60's, Hastings, slim, 5ft6, like animals, walking and socialising, I have a GSOH, and WLTm a tall, gent, for friendship, maybe LTR. Box 453327 **📧**

LOVE ME, LOVE MY DOG
Useful, intelligent, caring female, 62, young looking/acting, like walks, music, cooking, seeking sensitive, caring, uncomplicated male, N/S, perhaps a dog owner, for friendship first Box 443435 **📧**

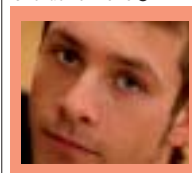
Women seeking women

ANY OFFERS?
Curvy female, 26, 5ft9, blue eyes, likes reading, painting, walks and nights in/out, WLTm an honest, sincere and feminine female for a possible relationship. Box 452108 **📧**

JUST A GIRL
Bubbly, feminine, attractive lady seeking the same! I'm slim, athletic, blonde hair/blue eyes. I'm 28, and WLTm similar female. Box 878997 **📧**

FUN AND MAYBE MORE
Passionate female, 37, new to town, WLTm passionate, genuine companions to socialise with, go out and have some fun, then see what happens. Ashford area. Box 880564 **📧**

FRIENDSHIP, HOPEFULLY MORE
Feminine woman, easygoing, caring, 45, long brown hair, blue eyes, I love music, eating out, reading/writing, drives, weekends away. WLTm boyish female. Box 448248 **📧**



MEN seeking women

GET TO KNOW ME
Looking for friends, fun, and maybe something long term. I'm male, 22, greenish-brown hair, 6ft tall, slim build. Box 453388 **📧**

THE SKY'S THE LIMIT
Seeking honest woman, who I can be myself with. I'm a genuine male, 34, GSOH, and enjoy sports, sky diving, drinks out, swimming. Box 878986 **📧**

TRY ME
Down-to-earth, laid back guy, a father of 2, 5ft7, 35, brown eyes, shaved head, I enjoy eating out, swimming, films, and family time. Box 451418 **📧**

I'M YOUR MAN
Hi I'm Dave, 37, 6ft, likes staying in and going out, looking for a easygoing female for friendship leading to more. Box 453105 **📧**

CAN YOU PUT UP WITH ME?
Hi all I'm 37, 6ft, blue eyes, brown hair and medium build, great cook and SOH, seeking similar lady to take out. Box 451503 **📧**

TO SHARE LIFE WITH
Passionate gardener, 38, 5ft9, medium-blue eyes, average-stocky build, curly mousey brown hair, likes tennis and music, being sociable! Seeking nice passionate genuine lady. Box 451692 **📧**

THE BUZZ
Happy easygoing man, 37, 6ft4, brown hair/green eyes, enjoys pubs, restaurants and gym, looking for a girl to take out and entertain. Tunbridge Wells. Box 452421 **📧**

HONESTY IS KEY
Honest gent, 39, 5ft11, brown hair, blue eyes, medium build, like country pubs and clubs, restaurants, dining out, cosy nights in! Seeking similar down-to-earth lady. Box 452101 **📧**

IT'S WRITTEN IN THE STARS
Sincere, 36yr old male, self-employed, seeks Miss Right, 30-40, for friendship/romance. Box 783954 **📧**

THE WIT TO WOO
Handsome male, 37, 6ft4, blond hair, blue eyes, looking to slowly rediscover the finer things in life. Herne Bay Box 424503 **📧**

HOP ON!
Hi, I'm Mark, 6ft, slim/medium build, lots of interests including motorcycles, WLTm a kind and honest female to share fun times and laughter with. Box 445124 **📧**

MARSHAL ME
Chris, 39, 5ft7, stocky, green-blue eyes, short hair, Virgo, GSOH, love swimming, walks on beaches, days out, seeking similar female, for loving times. Box 440167 **📧**

I'LL MAKE YOU SMILE
Keith from Kent, 40, two children, like walking, swimming, cycling, very fun-loving, looking for a girl with similar interests. Box 453111 **📧**

FRIENDS FIRST
Caring, understanding chap, 40, 5ft7, blue eyes/blond hair, slim/average build. I'm easygoing and relaxed, and like like travel, music, film, restaurants, theatre, days out, badminton. Box 451361 **📧**

NIGHT OUT NIGHT IN?
Easygoing male, 40, likes most things in life, seeks slim white female 21-45 for company, friendship and more. Box 451885 **📧**

TLC ON OFFER
Good-looking man, 40, 5ft7, medium build, dark hair/brown eyes, like travelling, sport and adventures, looking for a girl, same interests, 20-33, for friendship/romance. Hastings Box 450613 **📧**

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A NEW LIFE
Quite (a little bit shy) widower, 41, loves cooking, looking for an older lady for a serious relationship. Box 452701 **📧**

LOVE ON THE DANCEFLOOR
Outgoing, young-minded male, 47, smoker, likes war games, books, cinema, castles, places of interest, seeking similar woman to boogie on the dancefloor with. Box 443750 **📧**

SOUL TO SOUL
Happy-go-lucky man, 42, 5ft8, bald, blue eyes, and pretty fit! Looking for a proper relationship with someone who wants to meet their soulmate. Box 452967 **📧**

NOW OR NEVER
Hi there, I'm a 42yr old male, 5ft11, medium build, dark hair, I like sports, theatre, music, films. Looking for like-minded lady. Box 451825 **📧**

A REAL CATCH!
Complex, easy-going person, 42, organised, well travelled/educated and very inquisitive, albeit, I'm a bit shy until I get to know you more! Interests: cooking, music. Box 878033 **📧**

LET'S BUILD A ROMANCE
Hello, I'm Simon 43, single man in Kent own a construction co. Muscular build, blue-eyed, ruggedly handsome. Looking for a honest and genuine lady. Box 453322 **📧**

IN LOVE
Single 50s male looking for lady for loving friendship. I'm honest, sincere, genuine and love a laugh, hoping for lasting romance. Box 451188 **📧**

LONG-TERM THING
I'm Ian, caring, romantic, loyal guy, 44, 5ft11, slim/medium build, fair hair and blue eyes, GSOH, with a lady 25-50 slim/medium build. Hastings area Box 451334 **📧**

LOVE OVER ALL
Hi I'm Dave, 5ft11, slim, genuine man looking for a caring lady. I am romantic and enjoy most things, I believe in true love. Box 453297 **📧**

MORE?
Down to earth & outgoing male, 47, seeking fun with a young lady who enjoys sports, staying active, travel, socialising, drinks and more. Box 451104 **📧**

NEW BEGINNING
Sincere genuine man, 47, 5ft9, cropped hair, blue eyes, clean shaven, divorced, looking to meet a nice woman to get to know and take out. Eastbourne. Box 449554 **📧**

IS IT ME YOU'RE LOOKING FOR?
Kind, genuine, down-to-earth male, 47, seeking companionship and LTR. 5ft10, cropped hair, blue eyes, stocky with cuddly belly! Hailsham. Box 449583 **📧**

CATCH OF THE DAY
Divorced male, 47, interests: fishing, cinema, sport, long walks, countryside, eating out/romantic dinners. I'm looking for someone special, to cuddle up with. Box 451878 **📧**

HAPPY TOGETHER
White male, 47, 5ft7, N/S, easygoing, loves a laugh, enjoys parks/concerts/romantic walks, WLTm female to be with. Nikki, please call back with contact details. Box 444339 **📧**

LET'S SEE WHERE IT GOES...
Gentle kind male, 48, 5ft9, medium build, WLTm nice, attractive, friendly, fun to be with lady who likes going out and socialising, for friendship first. Box 442869 **📧**

CHILD LOVER ESSENTIAL
Single dad, with a 12yr old son. I'm 49, and enjoy sport, eating out, cinema, music. Looking for a family orientated woman, aged 36-46. Eastbourne. Box 449990 **📧**



PROPERTY NEWS

Offset mortgages can work saving wonders

OFFSET mortgages can be attractive for borrowers with spare cash they want to hang on to but that is not earning much interest because of low interest rates.

This type of mortgage allows homeowners to use their savings to reduce loan costs while keeping access to their money – and to earn an interest rate of 4.6 per cent.

They work because those who use them as well as taking out a mortgage have a separate savings account with the bank that has lent the mortgage.

Instead of receiving interest, these linked accounts reduce the interest paid on the mortgage.

The account balance is subtracted from the mortgage debt, with loan interest only charged on the net difference.

According to First Direct, the average homeowner earns 4.6 per cent on savings linked to these mortgages.

However, offset loan rates can be higher than those on other mortgages.

Offsets make most sense for borrowers with significant savings, particularly higher-rate taxpayers who would otherwise lose 40 per cent of their interest in taxable accounts.

Company tackles site shunned by builders

REGENERATION specialist the Brownfield Land Assembly Company has bought the old Bede and Dunstan Homes in College Road, Deal, and plans to build 16 new affordable homes.

The five two-bedroom houses and 11 three-bedroom houses will be built to Level 3 of the Government's Code for Sustainable Homes and will be among the greenest in the area.

BLAC is funded by the Government's Homes and Communities Agency and has been established by Hyde Housing Association Limited, RJ Barwick Limited and South East England Development Agency to tackle the shortage of housing in the South East.

It is funded specifically to identify, acquire and make useable difficult development sites. The College Road site had not attracted commercial interest due to the presence of asbestos, demolition costs and flood-risk issues.

BLAC is now working with Dover District Council and the Environment Agency to prepare the half-acre site for construction. Subject to planning permission, it is hoped construction will begin towards the end of the year.



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Prepay charges that punish county's poor

■ BY NICK AMES

ENERGY firms operating in the county may be in breach of EU rules by overcharging thousands of our poorest households.

The warning comes from the National Housing Federation as energy regulator Ofgem has been accused of failing hard-up families.

It comes after it emerged that several energy firms were allowed to overcharge prepay meter customers by £464 million over a three-year period.

While they are allowed to charge higher prices to prepay customers to cover meter installation and maintenance costs, those charges need to be 'cost-reflective', otherwise suppliers risk being in breach of EU directives.

Between 2006-08, millions of prepay meter customers were charged well in excess of the average extra cost for installing and maintaining both gas and electricity prepay meters,

estimated by Ofgem as being £87 over direct debit tariffs.

According to official figures, npower, British Gas, E.ON, SSE and Scottish Power all charged prepay customers more than the average cost of supplying meters – even though households with prepay meters only have an average income of £16,000.

Many prepay meter users in the region are classed as vulnerable customers such as single-parent families.

Even though they pay for their fuel up front, the big energy firms have frequently charged them more in recent years than any other customer group.

Ofgem is to finish consulting on the new regulations that it hopes will stop energy firms from charging prepay customers more for their gas and electricity than the figure justi-

fied by the extra cost to the supplier of providing a meter. The watchdog said the aim of the changes to the regulations was to "better reflect the EU directives and to address the detriment caused to consumers".

Simon Nunn, southern head for the National Housing Federation, said: "It is an absolute disgrace that those who are least able to afford it are being penalised because of the way they pay their bills."

"Unscrupulous energy firms have been overcharging vulnerable people for years and Ofgem now needs to act to defend the rights of ordinary people rather than protecting the profits of big business."

"Some companies, including npower, E.ON and Scottish Power, have already proved that energy firms can absorb the additional costs rather than passing them on to their poorest customers, and Ofgem must outlaw the practice of discriminating against prepay meter users once and for all."

Welcome home for the Forces



HOME TO ROOST: Celebrations at the first Armed Forces Day look set to continue as Ward Homes offers military personnel a financial incentive to get on the property ladder

THE county's military servicemen and women are being offered incentives to help them get their feet on the property ladder.

People employed by the Army, Royal Navy or Royal Air Force, as well as anyone who served in the wars in Afghanistan or Iraq, all qualify for an Armed Forces Discount Scheme from Kent housebuilder Ward Homes.

The scheme is available at Eden Village in Sittingbourne, Priory Meadows on Sheppey, The Woodlands in Boughton Monchelsea and its latest development, Pavilion Place in Snodland, which was launched this month.

Anyone set to retire from the Armed Forces this year will be eligible until the end of 2009. They will be offered a £500 discount for

every £25,000 or part thereof on the cost of the property they are buying.

For example, on a home costing £126,000 they would qualify for a reduction of £3,000.

The move has been brought in to coincide with Armed Forces Day.

"This country rightly celebrates the achievements of its Armed Forces, which many regard as the best in the world," said Tim Nabbs, sales director for Ward Homes.

"We have an established track record of helping people into home ownership and this offer should enable servicemen and women to finally own their own homes and save money."

"What gives us the edge over other people selling homes is that we provide customers

with innovative financial incentives which enable them to get a mortgage."

Homes available for the Armed Forces Discount Scheme at Eden Village include two-, three- and four-bedroom houses, priced from £146,950.

Two-bedroom houses are available for sale at Priory Meadows from £139,950.

Three-bedroom houses are available at The Woodlands, with prices starting at £224,950.

Pavilion Place, a development of 44 homes, has also been launched.

Homes available for the Armed Forces Discount Scheme at Pavilion Place include two-, three- and four-bedroom houses, with prices starting at £199,950.

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£129,950

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Aylesham



£135,000

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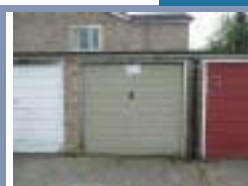
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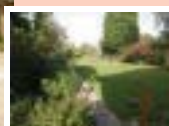




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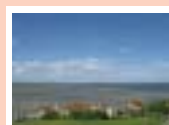
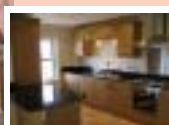
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- Needs Some modernisation
- No Chain

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Herne Bay

- 3 bedrooms
- Good sized lounge
- Garage

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Herne Bay

- 3 Bedrooms
- Luxury Fitted Kitchen
- Conservatory

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- Immaculate condition
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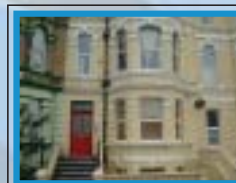
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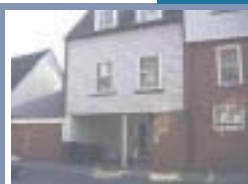
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MOTORS NEWS



New Jaguar XJ wows celebrities at launch

JAGUAR flew in American chat show star and car fan Jay Leno to launch its new XJ flagship to a celebrity audience in London.

It underlined how crucial this new stunner is to the British executive marque, especially as it breaks a styling tradition begun in the 1960s by the Mark X and refined by the original XJ6.

A square grille remains, but twin headlights have gone, replaced by sweeping slits fronting a slippery four-door aluminium coupé body. It arrives in early 2010 priced from £52,500.



New Mini celebrates making 1.5m milestone

JUST weeks after marking 50 years of the original Mini, BMW's Oxford plant reached another milestone by producing the 1.5 millionth 'new Mini' since its launch in 2001.

Inspired by and emulating the 60s icon, the new generation series has been a UK export success, sold in more than 80 countries and an all-electric Mini E also goes on trial in the UK soon with government support. Some 5.3 million 'classic' Minis (1959-2000) were built, taking the combined Mini count to 6.8m.



Kangoo II proves that it's no 'van ordinaire'

JUST as Britain's recession-hit drivers shun glitz and glamour, French carmakers have boosted the appeal of utility MPVs like the Renault Kangoo.

The second generation Kangoo is no longer disadvantaged in consumers' eyes by being van-based; the more expensive Renault Scenic was the donor this time, yet Kangoo prices begin at a recession busting £11,200 for a more capacious car with the same rear sliding doors layout to tempt a variety of buyers needing a weekday van/weekend family holdall.



A WORK OF ART: Citroën's seven-seat Grand Picasso has plenty of stowage, with big lidded bins on the dashboard, and can be driven in fully automatic mode or as a manual

Picasso hangs up well in the Citroën MPV gallery

PABLO Picasso was a master of the unorthodox and it is not hard to see why Citroën 'signed' its MPV sub-brand after the Spanish artist.

The seven-seat C4 Grand Picasso (from £14,995) certainly fits the gallery with its dramatic lines and interior flexibility.

The cabin seems huge even without the £610 full-length panoramic roof and there is plenty of stowage, with big lidded bins on a dashboard that mixes pragmatic layout with flair.

Comfortable seats complement good ride quality and refinement and the middle three adjust quickly and separately and flip/slide simply for access to the rearmost pair, though using these leaves minimal boot space.

I would normally recommend buying a diesel MPV for economy and low-down grunt to cope with possible heavy loads, even though you must cover more miles to recover higher upfront costs.

So I was dubious about the 1.6-litre petrol test car with Citroën's EGS semi-auto gearbox, loaned by Wilmoths, Maidstone.

Doubts dispersed quickly though; the lively

ROAD TEST CITROËN PICASSO

BY STEVE LOADER

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Green rating	★★★★★

150bhp motor takes the Grand Picasso to 62mph in 10.2 seconds. And the six-speed EGS can also be driven in fully automatic mode or as a clutchless manual using a sequential lever or paddle shifts either side of the stationary steering wheel hub – now a Citroën trademark.

Wilmoths, Maidstone general sales manager Kelvin Clayton, said: "Even I didn't like the sound of this combination at first, but the 1.6 engine has plenty of go and the gearbox learns your style of driving."

"The proof of the pudding is that most people who try the EGS gearbox, end up buying one and we have had just one complaint."

Amazingly, the EGS can memorise up to four regular drivers; once it has your 'number' it recognises who has slipped behind the wheel and adopts the correct mode.

And while it cannot match a diesel fuel saving, this cheaper petrol auto combination offers greater economy than a conventional manual, as well as low emissions to make it a reasonably 'green' option.

Our mid-range VTR+ model is priced at £19,855, but Wilmoths currently has a £1,500 Grand Picasso discount promotion plus zero per cent finance.



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CITROEN XSARA PICASSO



NO apologies for including the Picasso – it quickly trumped Renault's pioneering Scenic to become the best-seller in the new sector. It's only a five-seater, but the 'jelly mould design' smoothes the edges and corners of a commodious and flexibly equipped box. It rides well when heavily laden, but tends to heel a little on corners. The range features excellent turbodiesels from the Peugeot-Citroën stable and has a good reliability record. Plenty of affordable choice on the used market too.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

FIAT MULTIPLA



EARNING top marks with the motoring press for originality and impact when it arrived in 2000, the original Multipla looked simply too wacky to generate the sales it deserved. A facelift made it more visually acceptable and its practical qualities began to shine. Relatively compact though wide, it allows six to be seated comfortably in two rows and there is plenty of stowage space. It also drives well and the first choice 110bhp JTD turbodiesel is a lively powertrain.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
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Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

HONDA FR-V



THOUGH late into this sector, Honda had more time to review the market and decided that Fiat got it right with the Multipla. So the FR-V is another short, wide six-seater with two rows of seats, but not as roomy as the Fiat. Buyers like the reliable Honda engineering and how the dashboard gearshift makes more room in front. The middle front seat can also be staggered backwards to allow a child to be carried closer to mum and dad.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
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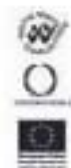
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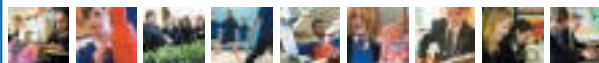
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Kent Cricket League Premier Division

Gore Court 1st XI v St Lawrence & Highland Court 1st XI

ST Lawrence & Highland Court slipped to sixth in the Premier Division after a disappointing four-wicket defeat to struggling Gore Court.

Having won the toss, Court decided to put St Lawrence in to bat and made immediate inroads as the visitors slumped to 90 for 4. Former Kent left-arm seamer Alamgir Sheryar picked up the first wicket of Daniel Stickels before wickets began to tumble with regularity. Kent 2nd XI wicketkeeper Paul Dixey steadied the ship for the Saints with 34 before he became the first of a five-wicket haul for Adam Collins. The St Lawrence batsmen continued to struggle and had it not been for a valiant 46 from William Hilton, the visitors would have struggled to get anywhere near their total of 169 all out.

Collins was the star of the show for a Court bowling attack that conceded 540 in 55 overs against Hartley the previous week. He finished with figures of 5 for 28 to rip the heart out of the St Lawrence middle order. Only Charlie Hemphrey failed to register double figures for the Saints as all of their top seven got starts on Saturday but failed to go on.

In reply, Kevin Jones and Australian Daniel Forster got Court off to a stead start with an opening stand of 42 before Richard Keir had Jones caught by Hemphrey for 20.

The home side looked to be cruising when they were 120 for 2, but three quick wickets in the space of two overs put St Lawrence back in the game. It was left to Kent Academy teenager Chris Piesley with an unbeaten 32 to help steer his side to victory with 11 overs to spare.

St Lawrence slip to sixth after Court claim victory



DEFEATED: St Lawrence struggle with the bat as they scored just 169 in the four-wicket defeat to Gore Court at the weekend

SCOREBOARD

St Lawrence & Highland Court

	Runs
Dominic Chambers ct Sheryar b Jones	24
Daniel Stickels ct Marsh b Sheryar	17
Paul Dixey ct Jones b Collins	34
Charlie Hemphrey ct Sheryar b Jones	1
Lewis Jenkins ct Edwards b Piesley	11
Alex Day ct Campbell b Collins	17
William Hilton ct Pearson b Collins	46
Ciaran Morgan lbw b Piesley	0
Alistair Neale ct Pearson b Collins	10
Benjamin Easter not out	2
Richard Keir ct Pearson b Collins	0
Extras (3lb 3w 1nb)	7
Total (all out, 48.4 overs)	169

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Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Philip Edwards	7	2	22	0
Alamgir Sheryar	8	0	36	1
Karl Pearson	10	4	19	0
Kevin Jones	5	0	16	2
Chris Piesley	10	0	45	2
Adam Collins	8.4	0	28	5

Gore Court

	Runs
Kevin Jones ct Hemphrey b Keir	20
Daniel Forster ct Hilton b Hemphrey	38
Karl Pearson b Neale	23
Christian Marsh ct Jenkins b Hemphrey	22
Dominic Campbell b Neale	0
Chris Piesley not out	32
Richard Cooper ct Jenkins b Keir	7
Philip Edwards not out	6
Alamgir Sheryar did not bat	
Alex Campbell did not bat	
Adam Collins did not bat	
Extras (8lb 12w 3nb)	23
Total (6 wickets, 38.5 overs)	171

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Alex Day	3	0	27	0
Richard Keir	6	1	28	2
Benjamin Easter	10	2	27	0
Charlie Hemphrey	10	1	42	2
Alistair Neale	9.5	1	39	2

LOCAL CRICKET ROUND-UP

KENT LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Canterbury 1st XI v Whitstable 1st XI

MAX Campbell's unbeaten century steered Whitstable to a seven-wicket victory against Canterbury which took them up to second place in Division One.

Donald Carter's 83 helped the home side to a healthy 248 for 7 from their 50 overs, but Whitstable made light work of the total.

Tom Richardson failed to trouble the scorers but his opening partner Campbell scored his 135 at just under a run-a-ball to give Whitstable impetus. They got home with eight balls to spare.

Canterbury

	Runs
Matthew Jenkinson	33
Neil Cowers	20
Simon Cusden	39
Donald Carter	83
Russell Griffiths	22
Chris Jay	17
Justin Macvicar	17
Tim Wren	11
Simon Smith	1
Damian Minter	0
Robert Walker	0
Extras	5
Total	248

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Ben Trott	15	5	60	4
Jason Logan	10	2	44	0
Josh Gould	11	2	54	1
James Mills	3	0	17	0
Duncan Hardy	11	1	59	1

Whitstable

	Runs
Max Campbell	135
Tom Richardson	0
Jake Guinan	35
Sam Denly	42
Stuart Sinclair	16
Ben Trott	0
Byron Gould	0
James Mills	0
Josh Gould	0
Jason Logan	0
Duncan Hardy	0
Extras	23
Total	251

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Justin Macvicar	5	0	26	0
Simon Cusden	10	0	64	1
Damian Minter	5	0	28	0
Tim Wren	14	0	56	1
Robert Walker	14.4	0	70	1

KENT LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

Catford Wanderers 1st XI v Chestfield 1st XI

CHESTFIELD recorded only their third win of the season with a four wicket victory against rock bottom Catford Wanderers to ease away from the bottom two.

Simon Buckingham took five wickets as Catford stuttered to 129 all out. Wayne George also caused damage, taking 3 for 30.

Chestfield's top order fell cheaply, but Aknil Rajput (44) and Buckingham (46 not out) ensured they reached the modest target with more than half their overs remaining.

Catford Wanderers

	Runs
Marlon Beache	19
Matthew Newman	6
Daniel Drummond	51
Jack Haslam	8
Bradley Rose	2
Andrew Ifill	21
Remi Chea	0
Ashley Forde	0
Lannion Woods	8
Larry Surajit	2
Chris Wilkinson	0
Extras	12
Total	129

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
William Lock	8	0	39	1
Joseph Whittington	7	0	29	1
Wayne George	13	0	30	3
Simon Buckingham	14	0	31	5

Chestfield

	Runs
Stephen Cox	10
Joseph Whittington	5
Craig George	0
Aknil Rajput	44
Alister Robb	0
Simon Buckingham	46
Brian Moody-Smith	10
William Lock	1
Trevor Santer	0
Wayne George	0
Ben Croucher	0
Extras	14
Total	130

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Ashley Forde	6	0	27	2
Larry Surajit	7.5	0	39	4
Andrew Ifill	3.2	0	20	0
Daniel Drummond	3	0	13	0
Jack Haslam	2	0	10	0
Lannion Woods	2.4	0	19	0

KENT FEEDER LEAGUE EAST 1A

Cowdrey 1st XI v Nonington 1st XI

NONINGTON were powerless to stop league leaders Cowdrey as they were hammered by 199 runs.

The home side scored quickly after choosing to bat first, with Glen Warner (100) the main thorn in Nonington's side.

Chasing 278 for victory the visitors lost Jamie Burrett with just one run on the board. It scarcely improved for the visitors, who were quickly reduced to 35 for 5. Ned Gleave (23) and Russell Stewart (21) prolonged the inevitable, but Nonington were dismissed for 78.

Cowdrey

	Runs
Andrew Hammond	28
Glen Warner	100
Barney Scott	15
Lewis Wright	73
Jack Southwart	32
Jacob Smyth	6
Chris Jones	0
Andy Roberts	0
Gary Marshall	0
Rob Fenwick	0
Will Needham	0
Extras	23
Total	277

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
David Luckhurst	5	0	23	0
Russell Stewart	12	0	62	3
Jamie Burrett	9	1	44	0
Carl Knowles	8.3	1	53	1
Kieron Burrett	5.3	0	34	0
Ned Gleave	6	0	48	1

Nonington

	Runs
Paul Bennett	6
Jamie Burrett	0
Nathan Charlton	14
Ned Gleave	23
Carl Knowles	2
Gary Coulson	0
James Anderson	0
Russell Stewart	21
David Luckhurst	0
Clive Knight	4
Kieron Burrett	0
Extras	8
Total	78

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Rob Fenwick	6	1	21	1
Chris Jones	12	6	15	5
Gary Marshall	9	1	33	2
Will Needham	2	1	4	1

KENT FEEDER LEAGUE EAST 1B

Blue Bell Hill 1st XI v Littlebourne 1st XI

BLUE Bell Hill strengthened their promotion challenge with a seven-wicket victory against fellow hopefuls Littlebourne.

The visitors were badly let down by their batting after being put in by Blue Bell Hill. No fewer than seven of their line-up reached double figures, but none converted their innings into one of substance.

Chasing just 147 for victory, the home side gratefully accepted the invitation. Jack Attridge (64) led from the front as they reached their target in the 40th over.

Littlebourne

	Runs
Jonathon Holton	29
Steve Davies	6
Gareth Cornhill	16
Andy Coleman	14
Jason Robson	21
Jamie Mears	19
Tony Beer	0
Ian Hitchings	4
Karl Farbrace	23
Sam Harrison	0
Shaun Loomer	10
Extras	4
Total	146

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Paul Fookes	12	3	38	2
James Underwood	10	0	47	1
Michael Hanson	6	2	17	2
Ian Hayward	5	2	14	2
Leigh Short	4	1	12	1
Hugo Parnell	3.2	0	17	2

Blue Bell Hill

	Runs
Michael Hanson	22
Jack Attridge	64
Ben Arnold	18
Tom Highest	9
Ian Hayward	8
Paul Brivio	0
Hugo Parnell	0
Paul Fookes	0
Jack Brivio	0
Leigh Short	0
James Underwood	0
Extras	29
Total	150

Bowlers	O	M	R	W
Shaun Loomer	5	2	15	0
Tony Beer	12	4	20	1
Jamie Mears	9	2	32	0
Andy Coleman	10.2	1	39	2
Sam Harrison	4	0	22	0

Bay off to a good start in pre-season draw

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TAP IN: Luke Harvey was on target for Bay in a pre-season draw at the weekend

LUKE Harvey netted a goal as Herne Bay began their pre-season with an encouraging draw against Needham Market on Saturday.

The visitors from Suffolk took the lead with an unstoppable shot into the top corner, but the Winch's Field faithful went home content after the hosts drew level. Andy Forster found Lee Farrell, who showed good pace on the flank before crossing to allow Harvey a simple finish from close range to level the scores.

Despite being their first run-out of the season, Barry Morgan's side finished strongly to indicate they are already in good shape ahead of next month's start to the season.

The majority of last season's squad has re-signed for next season as promised, including top scorer Stuart King who was rumoured to be leaving. Only Rhys Lawson, Steven Lloyd and Martin Chandler have left over the sum-

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mer, with the remainder all committing themselves to the club for the new campaign.

With so many staying, there will not be many new faces next season, but the club have unveiled three new signings. Brian McIntyre, David Croft and Michael Jenner have joined, while Bay will also look at several trialists during pre-season. Former Ashford and Chatham striker Lee Farrell performed well on Saturday in his debut and should get another chance to impress in the next few weeks.

Bay continue their pre-season at home to County League Premier Division side Lewisham Borough on Saturday. Kick-off is at 3pm.

HOCKEY



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POLO POSITION: England under-16s in action at Canterbury

Germans praise Canterbury for under-16 series

POLO Farm played host to England hockey's next generation last week by staging a three Test under-16 series against Germany.

The boys played the games on successive days at Canterbury Hockey Club, with the visitors living up to their reputation as the world number one side by winning the series 2-1.

Head coach Charlie Bannister was content with what he had seen ahead of the Home Nations tournament later this month and was impressed with the reception in Canterbury.

He said: "The facilities are fantastic and we've been treated wonderfully well. The club deserve a big thank you because they've been very hospitable and the boys have thoroughly enjoyed it."

Elsewhere, Natalie Seymour made her senior debut in a major international on Saturday as England began their Champions Trophy campaign against the Netherlands. The 22-year-old started in Sydney in the 2-2 draw with the Olympic champions and was a substitute in Sunday's 3-1 defeat to Germany. England continue against Argentina today, before games against Australia and China later this week.

As well as a means to an end in itself, the Champions Trophy also serves as a warm-up to next month's EuroHockey Nations Championships. Good performances from Seymour in Sydney would go a long way to booking her place in the squad for the tournament in the Netherlands.

Former Great Britain skipper Mel Clewlow, who twice played in the tournament earlier in her career, believes her Canterbury teammate has a big chance to impress.

She said: "Nat's 100 per cent focused on where she wants to go and playing in your first major tournament is a hurdle any athlete wants to get over. It's all about building towards the 2012 Olympics, so for Nat to be selected in year one is a huge boost for her."

Kent's nervous wait for van Jaarsveld decision

CRICKET

■ BY GLENN PEARSON

KENT run machine Martin van Jaarsveld is weighing up offers from other counties and expects to make a decision about his future in the next few weeks.

The South African has several offers from other counties for his signature, with Lancashire, Yorkshire and Surrey believed to be in the hunt to sign Kent's star batsman.

The 35-year-old is out of contract at the end of this summer and is contemplating a move away from the St Lawrence Ground, although Kent have also put an offer to the Kolpak player in a bid to keep him.

The Kent vice-captain told Yourcanterbury that offers were on the table, including one from Kent, and hopes to make a decision soon.

"At this stage it comes down to family and I have got to make the right decision by them," he said. "There are a couple of offers on the table but I am just going to give myself a couple of weeks, or maybe a little bit longer, to make a decision.

"I don't want to comment too much on it but Kent have come to the party and put something on the table and it's now up to me to make the decision.

"It's not the sort of decision you can make straight away as there are lots of permutations that I have to consider but it should be in the next two or three weeks."

Losing van Jaarsveld would be a big blow for the club as the South African is without doubt one of the top batsmen in the county game.

Kent's director of cricket, Graham Ford, himself out of contract at the end of the season, admits keeping the talented batsman is of paramount importance.

He said: "He has been one of the top performers in county cricket for several years now and is extremely important to our side. His work ethic is fantastic as is his knowledge of the game, there is just so much to him. Everyone is desperate to keep him at Kent and I'm fairly confident that he will stay."

• **Martin van Jaarsveld was among the runs again as Kent made history with four centuries in their County Championship game with Surrey that finished on Monday. Skipper Rob Key and fellow opener Joe Denly each scored 123, while van Jaarsveld hit 110 while Justin Kemp also recorded a ton. Kent return to action today as they take on Glamorgan at Sophia Gardens in Cardiff.**



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